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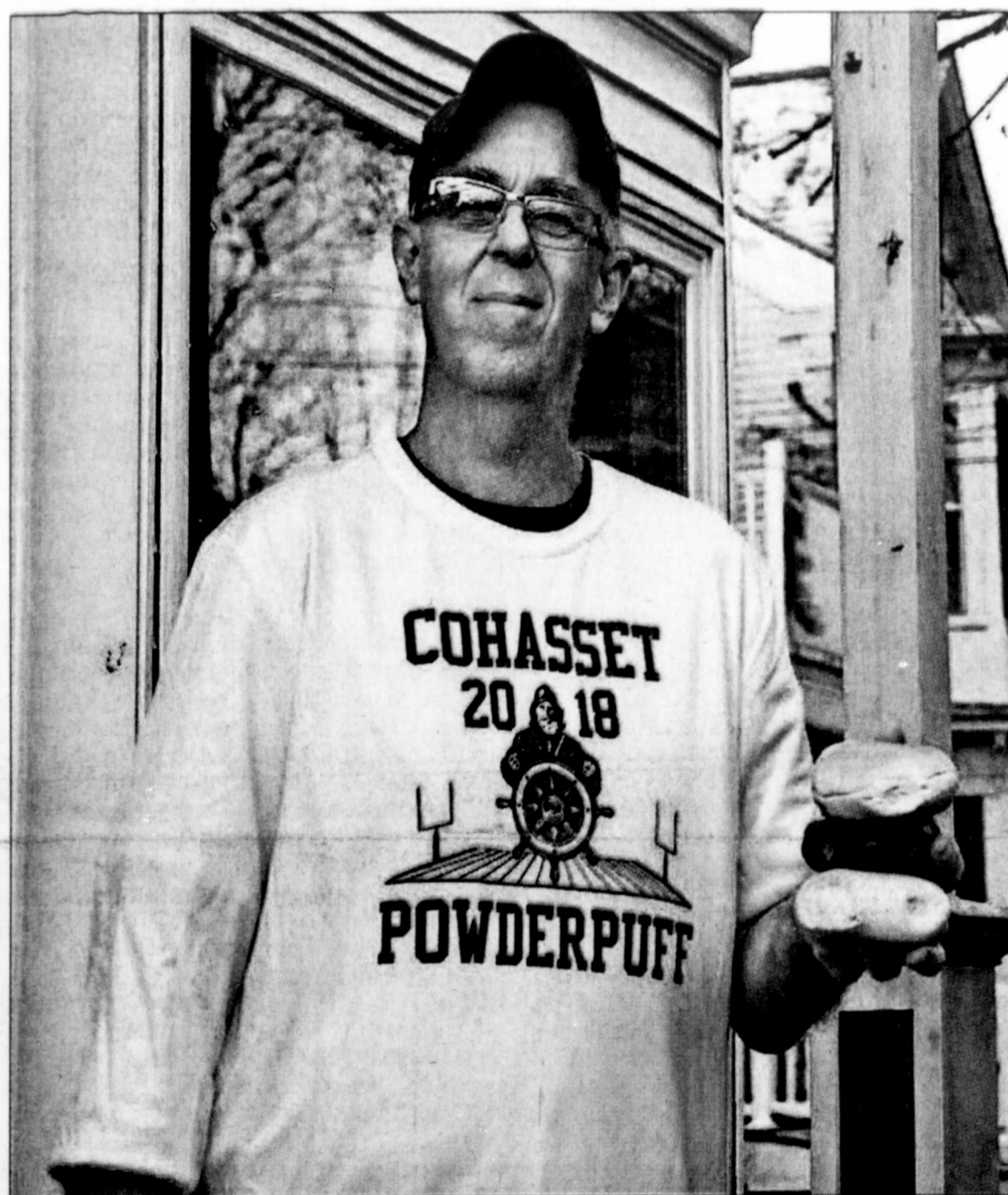
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OPENERFamiliar face at
bagel shop retiring

Steven Malcolm is going to be missed at Atlantic Bagel. Pictured here Steven models one of his collection of T-shirts. (PHOTO BY LINDA FECHTER)

Customers are
going to miss
Steven MalcolmBy Linda Fechter
correspondent

Atlantic Bagel is known for the bagels themselves (delicious); the bacon, egg and cheese (prized among the high school clientele), and last but absolutely not least,

the manager, known only as "Steve." Mystery revealed, his last name is not "at Atlantic Bagel." On Christmas Eve, Steven Malcolm — a Hull native — will retire after spending 96 hours per week at the store, beginning at 4 a.m. everyday and ending at 3:30 p.m. for 15 years.

Behind his tall frame, familiar glasses and usual sarcastic t-shirt is a gentle giant who would do anything for a friend. That's

exactly how Malcolm wound up selling bagels.

Owned by Dan Belz, Atlantic Bagel has been around for three decades, beginning with its Hingham store. The original Cohasset location where 3A Pizza is now, was then managed by Malcolm's dear friend, Susan Kane. Kane had been diagnosed with cancer and juggling her treatments. Her necessary time off put

See BAGEL, B4

New
MCAS
standards
are
exploredNext generation
of state tests
being implementedBy Abigail Adams
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According to Cohasset Public Schools' Assistant Superintendent Patrick Sullivan, 2017 will serve as a "baseline year" for the new "next-generation" MCAS test currently being integrated into schools across the state.

The next-generation test focuses on critical thinking, knowledge application, and students' ability to make connections between reading and writing. Sullivan said the new test provides "a clearer signal of readiness" for the next grade level or post-secondary preparedness.

Students in grades 3 through 8 were administered the next-generation MCAS test in both English and Math. By 2019, Sullivan said the new test would completely replace the original "legacy" format.

The administration of the next-generation MCAS test will also be entirely computer-based by 2019. In 2017, Cohasset students in grades 4 and 8 completed the test on a computer for the Math and English Language Arts portions of the test. In 2018, students in grades 5 and 7 will also complete the test on a computer, including the science tests.

Results sent home to parents for the next-generation test will also look slightly different. Parents can see details of their child's score and achievement level in each subject matter and compare them to school, district, and statewide averages.

Parents will also be able to see students' overall scores per subject matter and which

See MCAS, A10

Eagle Scout project tackles bench at RTF

By Abigail Adams
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Brent Landquist, 18, was in seventh grade when he joined the Boy Scouts. It just so happened that his family moved to Cohasset around the same time.

"I didn't have many friends when I first came here, so it was nice to join a group like [the Boy Scouts]," said Landquist.

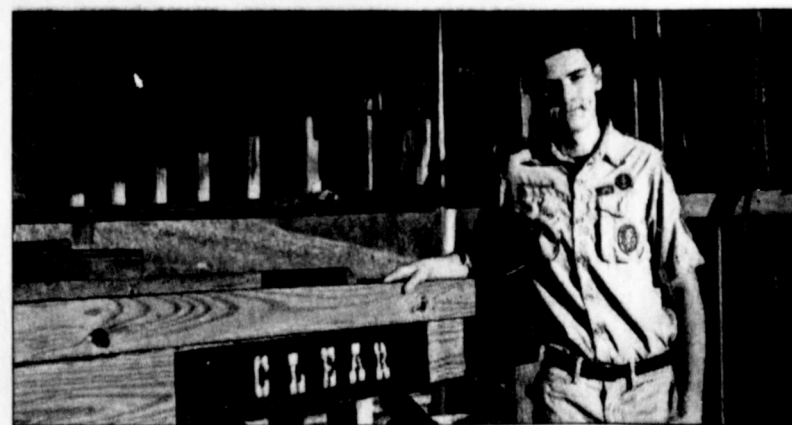
Boy Scouts has long been a tradition in the Landquist family; prior to Brent, his father and grandfather were both a part of the organization. Now, the Cohasset High School senior has

had his opportunity to make a mark on his community with his Eagle Scout project -- a new work bench for the Recycle Transfer Facility.

Landquist said the decision to tackle the project came after spending large chunks of time at the RTF bottle return station, where Troop 28 would raise funds for trips and other troop activities, and noticing the poor condition the previous work bench was in.

Landquist admitted he actually had a lot of fun working on

See SCOUT, B4



Eagle Scout Brent Landquist, 18, built a new work bench for the glass recycling shed at the RTF off Cedar Street. Landquist built the bench in eight hours with the help of nine others. Landquist decided to build the bench for his project because he noticed the DPW needed a new table as the old one was rusted and had exposed nails. (WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO/ALYSSA STONE)

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Don Piatt

Name: Don Piatt

Occupation: Finance Director/
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Best day of your life: 12/2/16 -
The night I got engaged.

Best vacation: Aruba 2016.

Favorite season: Spring.

Favorite holiday: Christmas.

Favorite snack: Cashews.

Best book: "Living with a
Seal: 31 days training with the
toughest man on the planet."

Best movie and actor: Movie
- Goodfellas; Actor - Denzel
Washington.

Best TV show: The Wire
(HBO).

The Mariner caught up with Don Piatt, the new town accountant/ finance director, at Town Hall this week. If you see Don around town, be sure to tell him that you spotted him in Picture This! [WICKED LOCAL PHOTO BY MARY FORD]

Best music, group, or artist:
The Notorious B.I.G.

Pet peeve: Wasting time.

Fun Fact: I would play golf

everyday if I could.

Goal: Being the top Finance
Director in the State.

Person you would like to meet:
My grandfather - passed away

before I was born.

Biggest worry: Failing.

Best part of Cohasset: The
people.

SENIOR SCENE

Rusty Skippers Concert is Tuesday

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- Tuesday, Decem-
ber 19, TBD
- Wednesday, December
20, Cohasset Pizza House
- Thursday, Decem-
ber 21, Chef Dianne and
Launch, Chicken Cabonara

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who decides to take part in a
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Thursday	14	8:22	9.2	8:53	8.4	1:54	0.7	2:33	0.3	7:04	4:11
Friday	15	9:09	9.2	9:42	8.4	2:43	0.8	3:21	0.2	7:05	4:11
Saturday	16	9:51	9.3	10:25	8.4	3:28	0.8	4:04	0.1	7:05	4:11
Sunday	17	10:31	9.4	11:05	8.4	4:09	0.8	4:45	-0.0	7:06	4:12
Monday	18	11:09	9.4	11:44	8.4	4:49	0.8	5:23	-0.1	7:07	4:12
Tuesday	19	11:47	9.4			5:29	0.8	6:01	-0.1	7:07	4:13
Wednesday	20	12:22	8.3	12:25	9.3	6:08	0.9	6:40	-0.0	7:08	4:13
Thursday	21	1:01	8.3	1:04	9.2	6:49	0.9	7:19	0.1	7:08	4:14

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Pedestrian struck in crosswalk at Shaw's Plaza

By Mary Ford
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A 29-year-old Hull woman was transported to the hospital with non-life-threatening injuries after a 2000 Toyota Camry ran over her foot while she was crossing from the parking lot to Shaw's supermarket on Tuesday evening (Dec. 5) around 5:30 p.m.

The driver of the Toyota, who is a 70-year-old Scituate man, was making a left-turn from the parking lot aisle onto the travel lane in front of Shaw's when he struck the pedestrian.

He apparently cut the turn too closely and told police the windshield frame obstructed his view and he did not see the woman.

He was issued a criminal citation and is being summonsed to court on the charge of negligent operation of a motor vehicle, police said.

MVA

There was a rear-end collision at the lights at Beechwood Street and Chief Justice Cushing Highway (Route 3A) at 12:35 p.m. on Thursday (Dec. 7). Police said a 2005 Honda Accord, driven by a 29-year-old Scituate woman, was traveling south and stopped at the lights when hit from behind by a 2006 Nissan Pathfinder. The driver of the Pathfinder, a 19-year-old Scituate woman, was cited for following too closely on a state highway. No one reported being injured. The Pathfinder had to be towed.

MVA

A 68-year-old Scituate woman in a 2004 Subaru SUV hit the gas pedal instead of the brake when backing into a parking spot at St. Anthony's Parish Hall off Summer Street on Friday (Dec. 8) around 9:45 a.m. She backed through the fence of a home on S. Main Street, damaging the fence, bushes and landscaping. She called AAA which arranged to have her car towed from the S. Main Street yard. Her insurance company will have to make good on the damage to

the property.

MVA

There was a two-car accident in front of Tedeschi Plaza on Chief Justice Cushing Highway (Route 3A) on Saturday (Dec. 9) around 6 p.m. Police said a 2009 Toyota Scion, driven by a 25-year-old Quincy woman, cut off a 2006 Nissan Xterra, when making a left into the plaza. The Nissan was headed north. There were no reported injuries. The Toyota was towed and the Quincy woman was cited for failure to yield the right of way, police said.

MVA

Police said a 2006 Ford pickup truck with a plow attached hit an unoccupied parked 2015 Honda Civic on Summer Street around 7 p.m. on Saturday (Dec. 9). The truck, operated by a 54-year-old Cohasset man, was not actively plowing at the time and swerved into the parked car to avoid a car traveling in the opposite direction that passed by. The Honda had to be towed. And the pickup driver was cited for failure to drive in marked lanes, police said.

Vandalism

There were two reports last week of mailboxes being damaged by pumpkins. A 41-year-old Nichols Road woman reported that her mailbox, valued at \$50, was hit by a pumpkin. She told police it was the second time since Thanksgiving that her mailbox had been vandalized. A 36-year-old Forest Avenue woman also reported her mailbox had been hit by a large pumpkin overnight.

Ride home

A Cohasset officer gave a Scituate woman with her groceries a ride to her home on Clapp Road after a concerned caller reported seeing an elderly woman hitchhiking along Route 3A past Shaw's last week. Police said her car had broken down.

Hay bales

Holly Hill Farm had permission

to pick up hay bales at the Bound Brook culvert project which is completed. The hay bales protect the environment from debris from the project. A caller reported that someone in a green Dodge had made two trips to pick up the hay bales last week. Investigation showed that Holly Hill had authorization to do so.

Motion alarm

A doctor, who is a tenant in a building in Parkway, called police around 9 a.m. on Wednesday (Dec. 6) after his security system notified him that someone was inside his office. He was able to view the camera surveillance on his phone and called police. As it turned out, a real estate agent who had permission from the landlord was inside the building.

Pizza driver

Police did not catch up with a pizza delivery man who was reported traveling north on Jerusalem Road around noon on Thursday (Dec. 7). The caller notified police because the caller thought the driver was smoking weed.

Noise complaint

Police received a noise complaint about a 2007 Toyota Tundra parked on Parkway in the village by the tracks last Wednesday. Apparently, every time a train passes - day or night - the Tundra's alarm goes off creating an annoyance.

Winter parking

The winter parking overnight ban is now in effect through April 15. No on-street parking is allowed between 1 and 5 a.m. Violators are subject to a \$25 fine.

Advice

A 42-year-old Cohasset woman went to the police station on Sunday night (Dec. 10) to report that a man that she used to hang-out with had been sending her threatening text messages. The two had not been in a dating relationship. Police advised her of her recourse through the court.

New School Resource Officer to take the helm

By Abigail Adams
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Starting Monday (Dec. 18) a new Student Resource Officer will roam the halls of Cohasset Public Schools.

Officer Jay St. Ives, the district's current SRO, will be leaving the position.

St. Ives entered the local spotlight this past summer, after a Facebook post of him sharing his lunch with an enthusiastic 3-year-old boy at Cohasset House of Pizza went viral and caught the eye of several local news outlets. The officer will be transferring to the Braintree Police division.

Police Chief Bill Quigley has since named Greg Taylor, a Cohasset native and five-year veteran on the force, to the position. Taylor will begin learning the ropes Monday morning.

According to Quigley, Taylor approached him about taking on the position after he learned the post would be opening up. Quigley said the two spoke about

it extensively and thought he was a great match.

"We think it will be a natural fit for him," said Quigley.

Taylor said he attended Osgood, Deer Hill and the middle-high school, graduating in 1999.

"I grew up in town and still live in town so when the opportunity came up, I jumped at it," he said. "I am excited to start."

Taylor said times have changed since he was in high school when there were payphones and beepers. "They can definitely teach me something about technology," he quipped, adding he hopes to help the students learn to make good decisions.

Some members of the School Committee, however, are worried that officers will continue to rotate in and out of the position. St. Ives replaced Sgt. Mike Lopes, who served as the first Cohasset SRO. Lopes was promoted to the Detective Sergeant but still

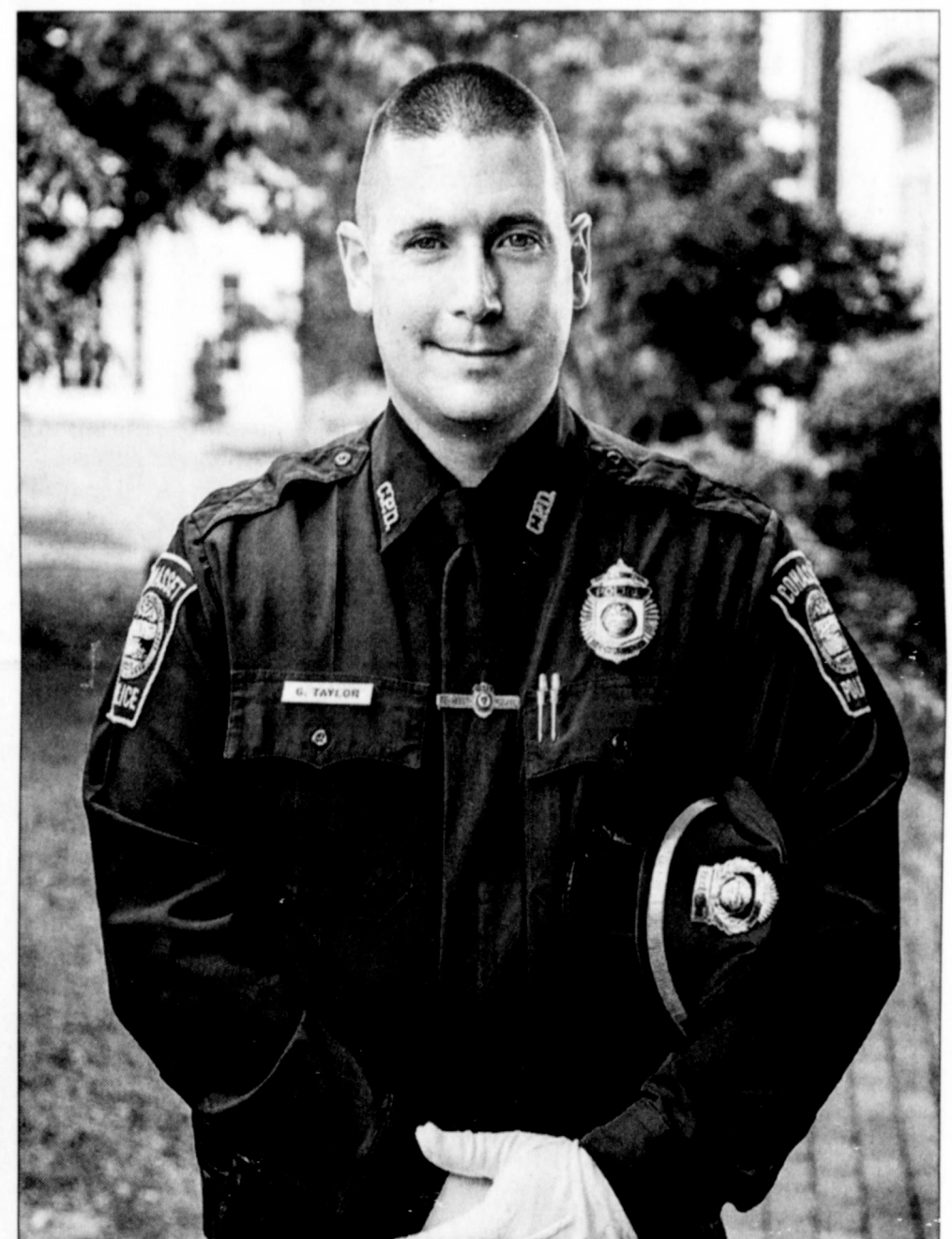
oversees the SRO.

While the department is aiming for continuity and stability with the position, Quigley also noted that the operational and public safety needs of the department have to be considered as well. Dugan acknowledged that much of this is out of the School Committee's control, but remained adamant about filling the position for an extended period of time.

The SRO post has shown its worth to the town since its implementation roughly two years ago. Quigley said the position has allowed the department to get ahead of some situations they may not have in the past.

"We are just very happy to be able to have a School Resource Officer in place because it has paid dividends over the last few years," said Quigley.

In the meantime, St. Ives will be reassigned to patrol duty until his transfer to Braintree Police.



Officer Greg Taylor is the new Cohasset School Resource Officer. [COURTESY PHOTO]

BUILDING PERMITS

The following building permits were issued by the Town of Cohasset during November:

Babka, 258 Forest Ave., 10-by-20-foot addition to shed, \$4800; Pinkus, 475 Beechwood St., 21 replacement windows, \$49114; Ferreira, 823 CJC Highway, Add storage area on cement pad, \$5000; DiTullio, 15 Lily Pond Lane, Install 20 square feet asphalt roofing, \$5900; Lombardi, 685 Jerusalem Road, Install 25 square feet asphalt roofing, \$15000;

Cohasset Golf Club, 175 Lamberts Lane, HVAC: bath/dining room/air and exhaust for kitchen, \$20000;

Lamberti, 15 Hemlock Way, Partially finished basement, \$17500; Evans, 4 Evergreen Lane, Strip and replace existing roof, \$5200; Marotta, 17 Summer St., Install 40 square feet asphalt roofing, \$22500; MacGregor, 35 Stockbridge St., Install 8 square feet asphalt roofing, \$4290;

Li, 175 Beechwood St., Building new deck and install 6-by-14-foot sunroom, \$30000; White, 162 Sohier St., Extend existing porch, \$25000; 16 Stockbridge LLC, 16 Stockbridge St., Raze and rebuild SF dwelling on new foundation, \$750000; Noon, 11 North Main St., Add three dormers to main roof,

\$14000; Munir, 95 South Main St., Convert porch into four season room/new windows and doors, \$20000;

McCaffrey, 60 Reservoir Road, Kitchen and playroom remodel/new entry, \$151500; McNamara, 150 Beach St., Seven replacement windows, \$7000; Luvisi, 20 Brewster Road, Nine replacement windows, \$4996; Roma, 42 Oak St., 12 square feet cedar shingles, \$25500; Coburn, 45 Reservoir Road, Replacement windows, \$24000; Steinmetz, 1 James Island Way, Foundation only for new construction, \$25000; Koch, 185 Jerusalem Road, New garage, \$80000.

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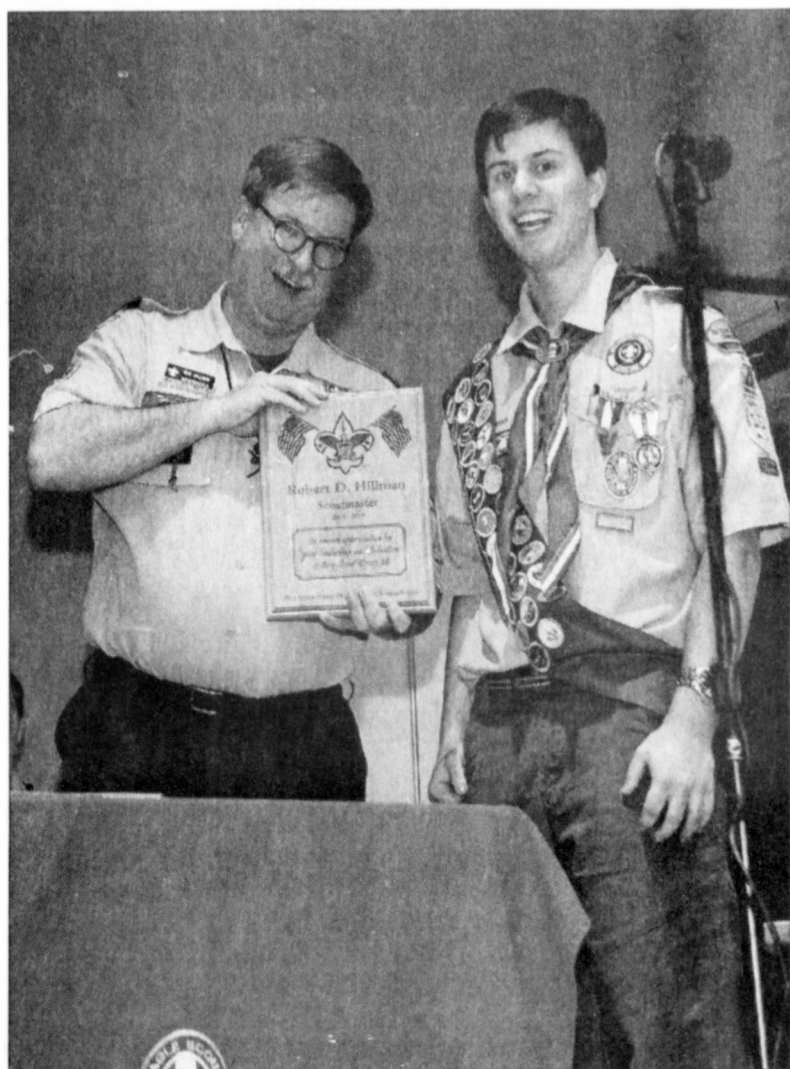
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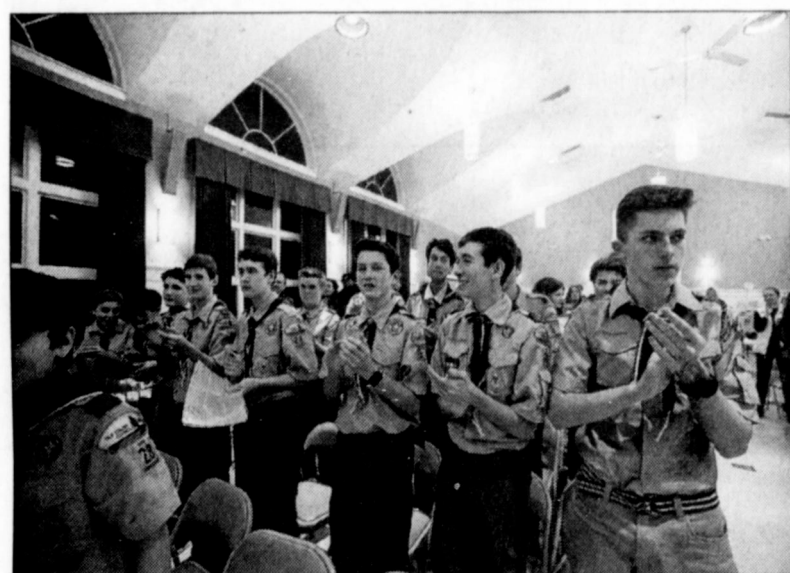
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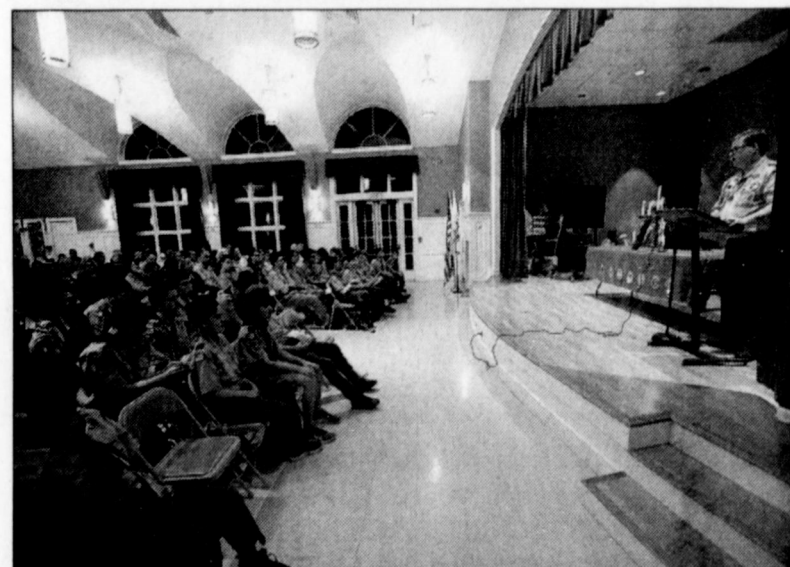
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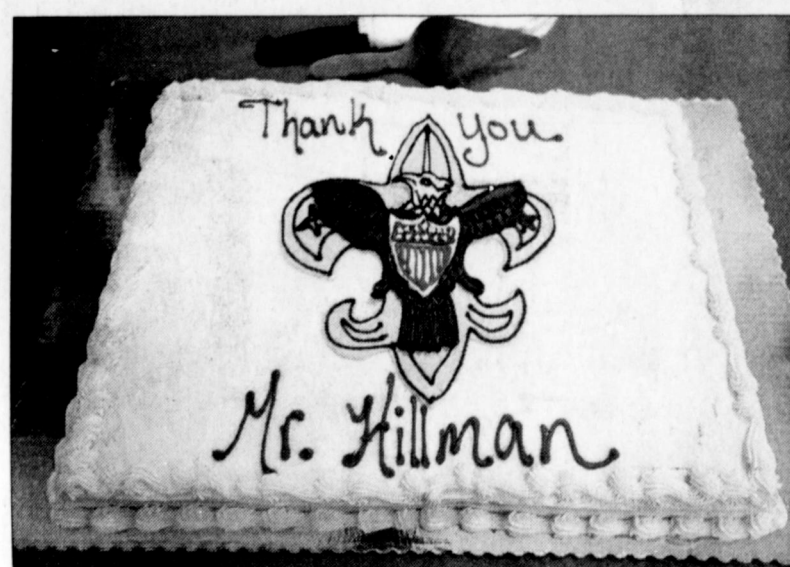
Senior Patrol Leader Marcus Rowland presents Scoutmaster Robert Hillman with a plaque to show their appreciation for what he has done for the troop.



The scouts from Troop 28 give Rob Hillman a standing ovation at the end of the video montage. When he started in 2012, there were 12 scouts in the troop; now, there are 70.

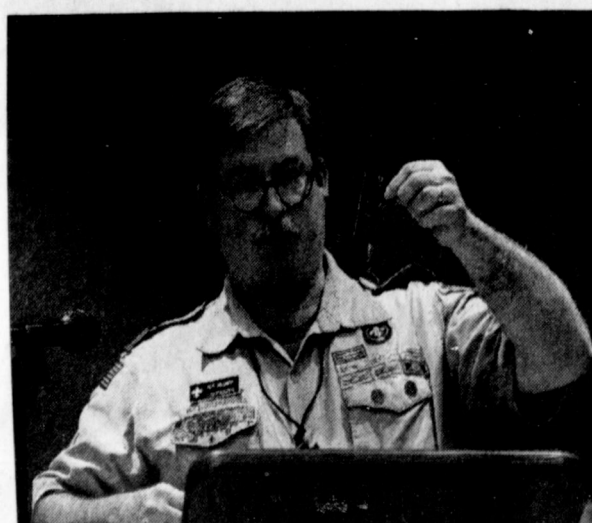


Scoutmaster Rob Hillman addresses the scouts and parents at the meeting at St. Anthony's on Tuesday, Dec. 12.



A cake was made marking the occasion of Rob Hillman stepping down as Scoutmaster of Troop 28.

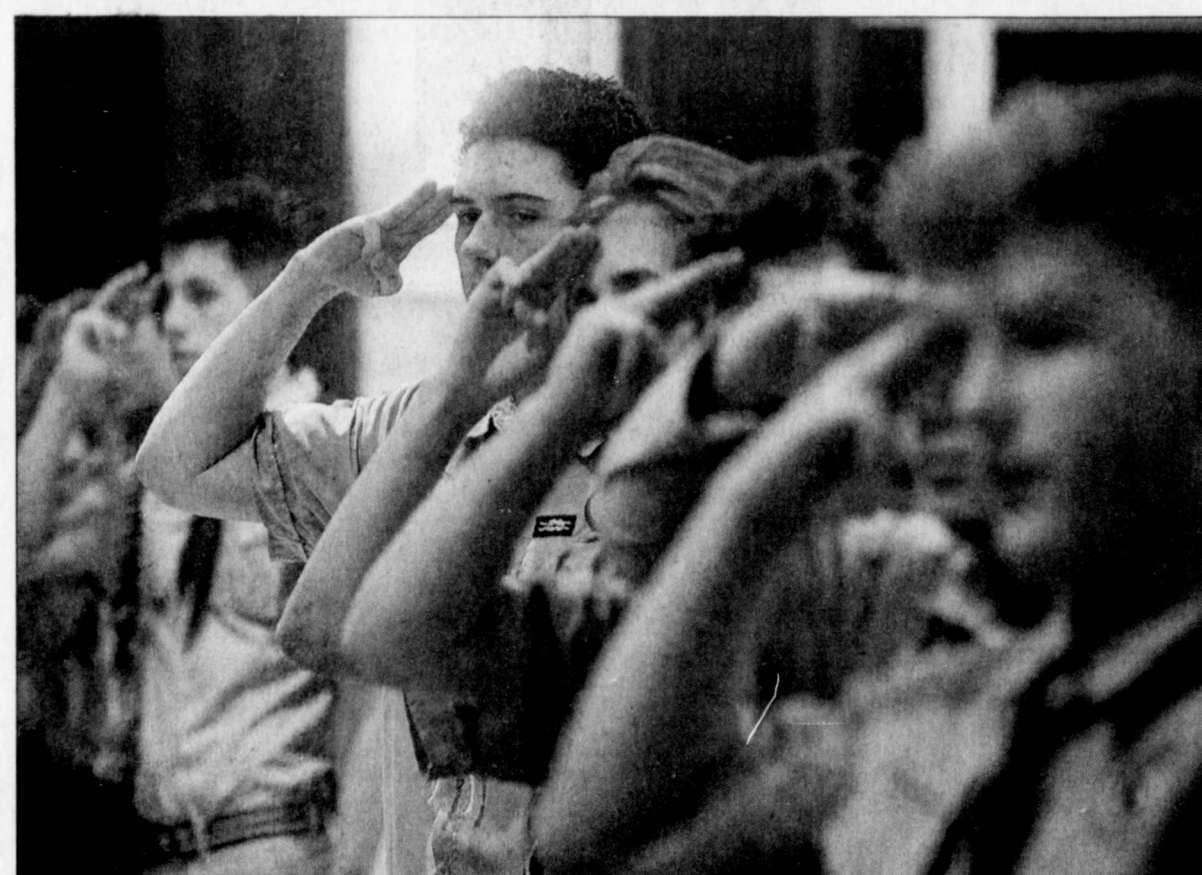
Scoutmaster Rob Hillman holds up a leather badge that was given to him when he was named Scoutmaster of Troop 28 which he then presented to Vincent Thornton who will take over the troop.



Outgoing Scoutmaster Rob Hillman roars with laughter after seeing his son, David, appear on screen doing a video montage that was created for him as a gift for his service for the troop as Scoutmaster since 2012. Twenty five Scouts have earned their Eagle Award under his tenure.

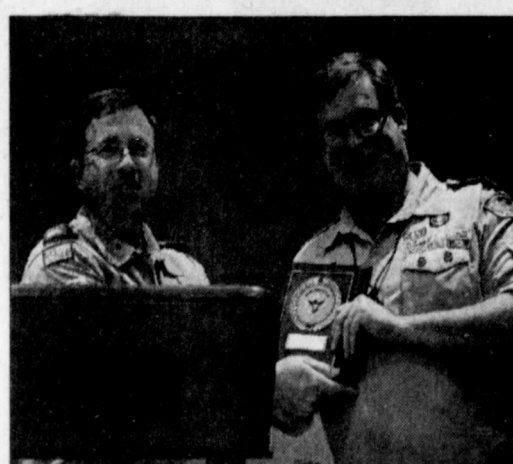


Scoutmaster Rob Hillman stands with the scouts of Troop 28 for one last group photo.



Brent Landquist, 18, joins his fellow scouts in saluting the flag during the Pledge of Allegiance at the beginning of their meeting.

Jack Colamaria of Old Colony Council presents Rob Hillman with the Outstanding Scoutmaster Award.



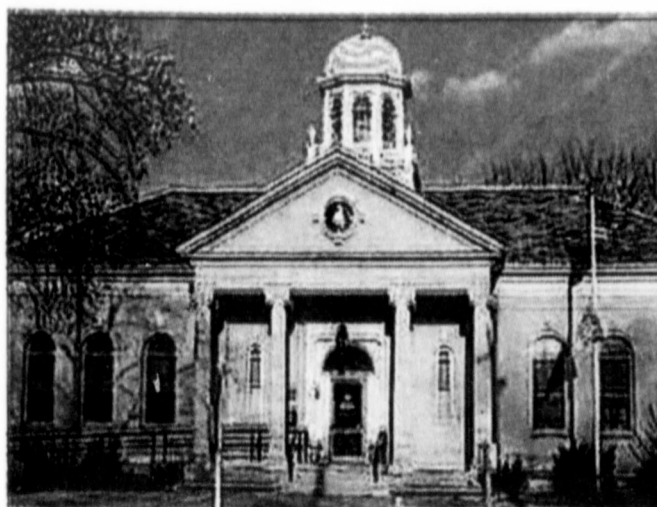
Noah Carmody, 13, joins his fellow scouts in reciting the Scout Oath at the start of their meeting.



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5 THINGS TO DO

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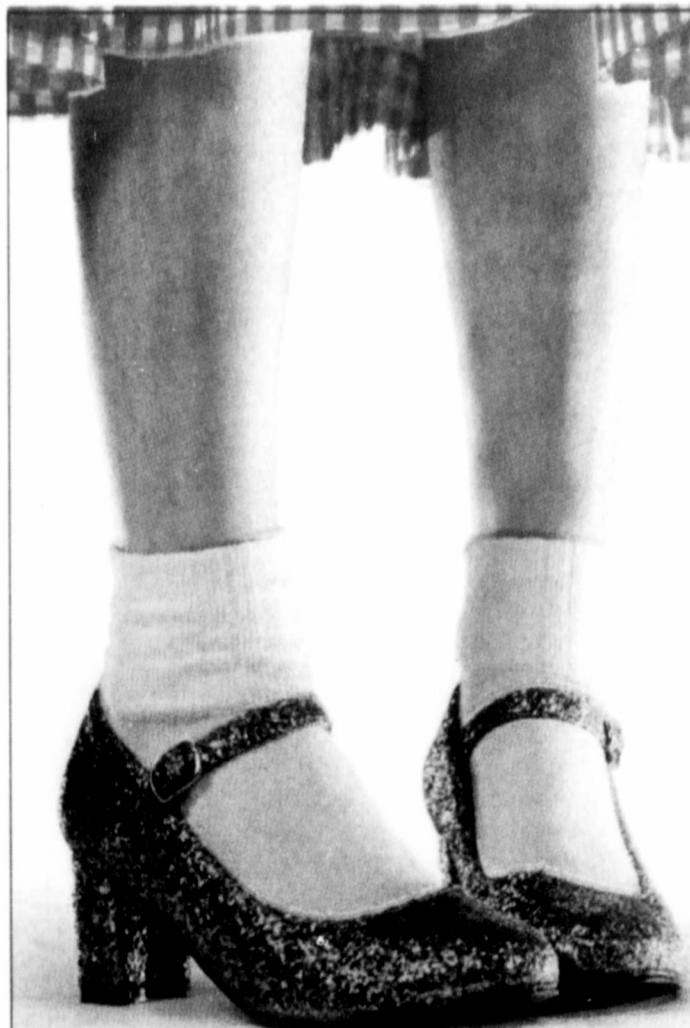
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7:30 p.m., Wednesday (Dec. 20) at the Old Ship Meetinghouse, 90 Main St., Hingham. Bring a favorite winter poem to share if you like, or simply

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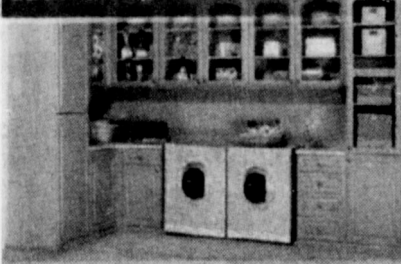
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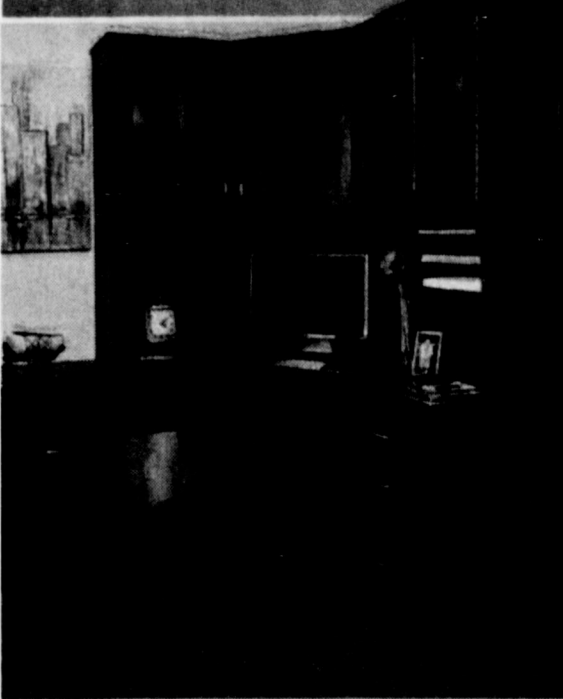
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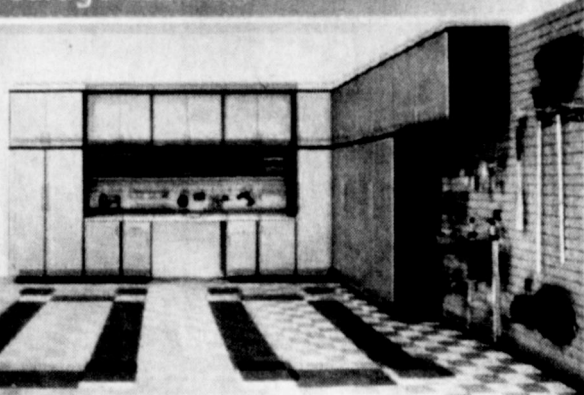
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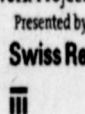
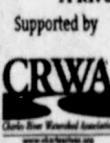
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AROUND TOWN

True winter weather makes its debut: Brrrrr!



Jennifer Piepenbrink

Hi Cohasset, I am not sure if we are all still shivering quite as much as we were earlier in the week but BRRRR, true winter, which arrives on Dec 21 and runs through March 20th, is here! I was very unprepared as I did not have gloves or a coat with sleeves, not a vest but that changed really fast. I have said it before and repeat it again, I LOVE our seasons however, as I continue to well, age a little tiny bit, a ton of snow with much warmer temps would be nice!

I wanted to wish all of those reading and celebrating this week and through the evening of Wed, Dec 20th a very Happy and memorable Hanukkah Celebration filled with traditions, family and friends.

I also would like to mention a brief thank you this week to all of those who have been going out of there ways to volunteer, donate and give back to others this Holiday season in ways that you are able or make you/your family help others to enjoy a tradition, a smile or something they normally would not be able to do. As we all know, for so

many reasons in life, things can and do happen when a simple gesture or, one that can change an entire Christmas Day with gifts, a meal and more means so much. It takes a village as we say and Cohasset, what a village we have. I have 2 more families who could use some Holiday cheer, one given to me on Monday. If you would like to help or want to hear about either of these precious and heartwarming stories, send me a message at aroundtowncohasset@yahoo.com. 1-4-3 Cohasset!

Holly Hill

The Holly Hill Farm Stand is hosting its last stand from 10 a.m. -2 p.m. on Saturday (Dec. 16). Come and shop for some yummy produce and have a cup of hot coffee and freshly baked scones from Geppetto's Confections! You can enjoy some tasty soups, sandwiches and other gifts too. How about a gift certificate for friends for the holidays? Come in by!

Make sure to save the date for a New Year's Day Woodland Walk on Mon, Jan. 1st, from 1 to 3 p.m. Plan ahead for New Year's Day! Bundle up, bring family and friends and make new friends as we welcome 2018 with a woodland walk. Explore and discover the diversity of flora throughout the 130 acres of Holly Hill Farm's trails. Your choice of a family hike with Cindy Prentice for those who would like a faster paced

guided walk or a stroll with Steve Ivas, who will tell you about nature's signs of winter in the woods. Then, enjoy some hot cocoa to warm you up after your hike! No need to pre-register, this is a free event held at Holly Hill Farm.

Memories

DVD's of the 2017 CHS Powder Puff Football Game from November 21st are available to purchase for \$20 per DVD and make great holiday gifts. To order DVD copies please call Shaun Galvin at 781-424-2197(cell) or email your request to galvin-142shaun@hotmail.com. Requests can also be mailed with a check for \$20 per DVD to Shaun Galvin P.O. Box 526 Hingham, MA 02043. Checks should be made payable to Shaun Galvin

Pets and Santa

This Saturday at Fetch 02025, bring your pet in for a fun photo with SANTA. The cost is free but they are asking for a \$10 donation that will go to the Scituate animal shelter. Fetch 02025 is located at 818 CJC Highway and you can go to: www.fetch02025.com or call 781-923-1364 for more information.

That is all Cohasset, have a great week. Send in your news by Tuesday at 5 pm. EMAIL: aroundtowncohasset@yahoo.com

LIFE AT CHS

College acceptance letters adorn the guidance hallway



Kato Quigley

It makes my day when I hear one of my classmates has gotten into his/her top choice college, and I know I'm not alone in that.

The majority of early college decisions were sent out this week and many seniors at CHS have begun to hang their acceptance letters on the wall in the guidance hallway.

Seeing the acceptance letters is one of the few times that you get to actually witness your peers' success. You can feel the excitement and emotion that each letter must have brought its recipient. Walking through that hall can only make you happy, and that's what I love about Cohasset.

Yes, there are times when competition, whether it be in an academic, athletic, or artistic pursuit, can get the best of students at CHS, but when it comes down to the end we are all happy for one another's achievements. It makes my day when I hear one of my classmates has gotten into his/her top choice college, and I know I'm not alone in that.

Now that many acceptances have been delivered, the maelstrom that college has brought upon the Class of 2018 has begun to dissipate. The beginning of winter sports has now

become the main focus of many students' minds. Girls' and boys' basketball both won their season openers this past week, the girls have another home game next Tuesday.

Now that it is officially the holiday season CHS has fully embraced the spirit of giving. Principal Connolly and the InterACT club have started a school wide effort to raise money and toys for the Toys For Tots charity. Principal Connolly has asked that each team and club at CHS donate at least one toy and if you bring a new toy to any CHS sporting event you will be given free admittance. And next week the senior class will spend a period wrapping new books that will be donated to the Boston Children's Hospital on behalf of Cohasset High School.

This Thursday the annual winter chorus and band concert took place, students are both relieved and sad that the big night is over. The winter addition of the CHS ArtMag was also available at the concert.

Kate Quigley is a senior at Cohasset High and a regular columnist.

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Max is a real people-person

By Christine M. Mosher

This week at Hull Seaside Animal Rescue, we are featuring Max, an 11-year-old neutered male. In a word, Max is a delight! He has tabby colors and markings and gorgeous emerald green eyes. He is a beauty!

Max came to us after his former owner could no longer care for him. Max is truly a "people" cat. He loves to be petted, picked up, played with, and doted on. He will sit right with you as a loving companion and friend. He truly loves to be around people.

Max would do best in a home with no other animals, as he is used to being the only furry friend in the house. He is a beautiful and sweet cat who is looking for a forever home where he can receive all the love, attention, and affection he deserves. Is Max a match for you?

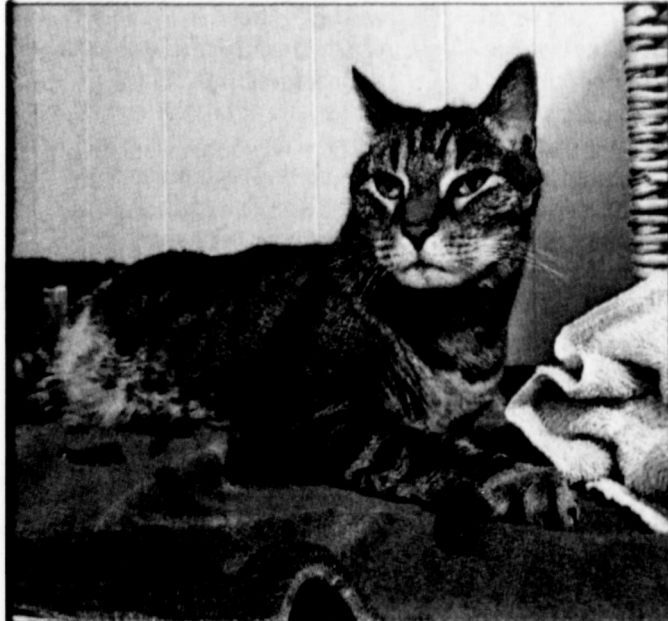
You can learn more about Max as well as other cats

we have available for adoption by visiting us online at www.hsar.org or in person during Open Hours. We are located at 487 Nantasket Ave. in Hull. We have Open Hours on Monday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. and Saturday afternoons from 2 to 3 p.m. If these times are not convenient for you, please call our Adoption Coordinator at 781-534-4902 to schedule an appointment.

Hull Seaside Animal Rescue (HSAR) is a no-kill cat shelter that relies solely on donations, grants, and contributions. If you would like to make a tax-deductible donation, please visit our website (www.hsar.org), or by mailing a check to: HSAR P.O. Box 787 Hull, MA 02045.

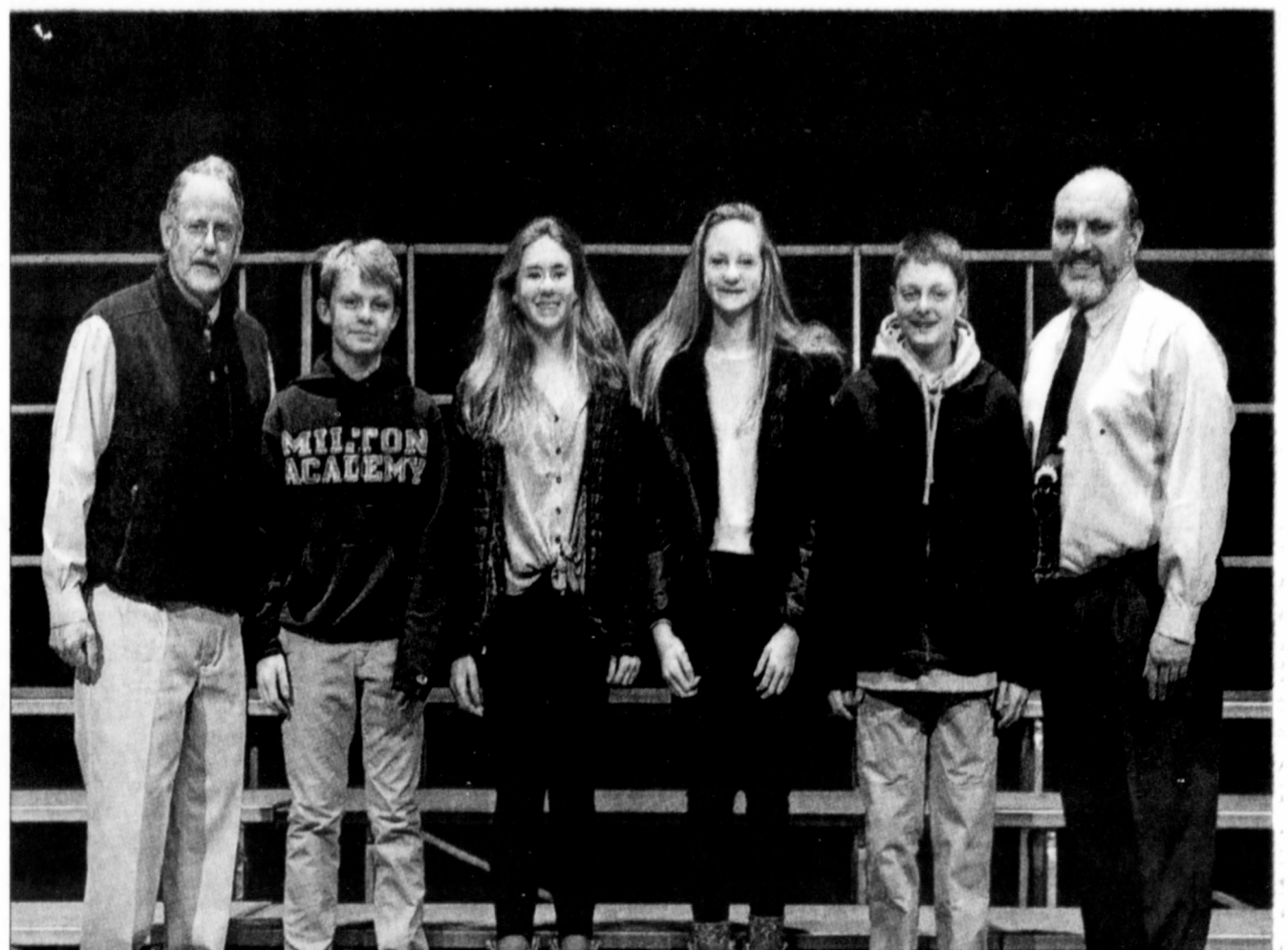
And to all of our wonderful supporters, volunteers, and adopters: Thank you for helping us to help them!

Christine Mosher is a volunteer with Hull Seaside Animal Rescue.



Max is an older guy with plenty of purring to share with a forever family where he can be king of the household again. [COURTESY PHOTO]

Derby Academy First Trimester Honors announced



From left, Derby Academy Assistant Head of School/Head of Middle and Upper Schools John Houghton with Derby Academy First Honors students from Cohasset (left to right) George Sherbrooke, Eloise Daniello, Grace Stanton and Henry Synnstedt with Derby Academy Head of School Joseph Perry. [COURTESY PHOTO]

CHS freshman in leadership program

Cohasset High School freshman Haniyah Broadway was recently selected to participate in a unique cross-cultural leadership development program in Belfast, Northern Ireland.

Haniyah was one of eight City of Boston teens chosen to skate in the first-ever Boston to Belfast Youth Empowerment Program, run during Thanksgiving week in conjunction with the 3rd annual Friendship Four US college

hockey tournament.

In addition to participating in a series of leadership trainings, engaging with teen centers and youth clubs, and learning about the historical sectarian conflicts in the region, Haniyah and her team also enjoyed visits with the Lord Mayor of Belfast and the US Consul General of Northern Ireland. She was also chosen by team leaders to present a commemorative team jersey to the Lord Mayor in a private ceremony.



Haniyah Broadway receiving a commemorative medallion from US Consul General Daniel Lawton. [COURTESY PHOTO]

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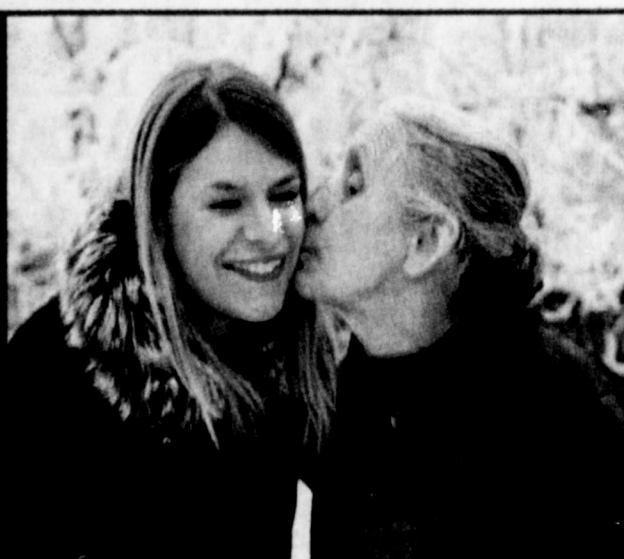
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OPINION

OUR VIEW

Don't let road rage wreck your holidays

We've all experienced road rage whether that means being a victim of it or expressing anger at another motorist. Experts say the most common reasons for road rage are fighting over a parking space; being cut off; not being allowed to pass; being given the finger; using high beams; honking too much; being stuck behind a slow driver; and tailgating. Running late, rushing, having too much to do with too little time is a dangerous mix when coupled with the stressful holiday season. According to a State Farm survey, 32 percent of drivers were more likely to show signs of aggression or road rage during the holidays. Road rage is when a driver gets extremely angry and becomes aggressive toward other drivers by yelling obscenities, using rude gestures, banging on the horn, or driving in a dangerous or threatening manner, writes psychologist Dr. Steve Orma, an anxiety specialist. "During the holiday season, we tend to encounter more situations that can breed road rage, such as crowded mall parking lots, long treks to relatives' houses, drunk drivers, and higher levels of stress," Orma states on his website. Orma offers some helpful things you can say to yourself to remain calm. They are: "I'm not going to let that person spoil my day." "Maybe he's in a hurry and didn't realize he cut me off." "I'm going to let jerks be jerks." "I guess she really has to go to the bathroom." "He must be having a bad day." "That person must be really stressed out. That's too bad because I feel fine." Geico.com offers the following tips to avoid road rage

- Move over if someone is tailgating you
- Use an "I'm sorry" gesture (e.g. wave) to attempt to defuse the situation
- Plan ahead; allow time for delays during your journey
- Consider whether you've done something to annoy the other driver and adjust your driving accordingly
- Listen to music you enjoy
- Use your horn sparingly
- Avoid eye contact with angry drivers and give them plenty of room

According to the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety here are some sobering reasons to avoid aggressive driving:

- Aggressive driving plays a role in 66 percent of traffic fatalities.
- 50 percent of people who encounter aggressive driving behavior respond in kind.
- A firearm is involved in 37 percent of aggressive driving incidents (other weapons can include, fists and feet, tire irons and jack handles, and baseball bats).
- Out of 10,000 road-rage incidents committed over a seven-year span, there were 218 deaths and 12,610 injuries recorded.

An AAA report on road rage advises: Don't drive when you are angry, upset, or overtired. Most importantly, understand that you can't control the traffic but you can control your reaction to it. Give the other driver the benefit of the doubt. Assume that other drivers' mistakes are not intentional and are not personal. Be polite and courteous, even if the other driver isn't; it's better to err on the side of caution. And as always, drive as if your life depended on it.

ANOTHER VIEW



COMMENTARY

Cohasset Town Hall options wanted

By Wayne Sawchuk

Time is running out, and last week's Town Meeting, has offered residents, and community groups one last chance to make their ideas and suggestions about the fate of the current Town Hall plans known. An upcoming review by THRAC before the Board of Selectmen, will determine how they will spend the \$300,000 voted at Town Meeting to prepare plans and specifications for a new or remodeled town hall for presentation at the Spring Town Meeting in April. The existing plan which has been shown to nearly every town board and committee is simple, it includes tearing down the existing 1987 Town Hall addition, and replacing it in its entirety, with a 600-square-foot per floor addition on the front side (10' x 60'), with two matching floors, as well as renovating the 1857 Town Hall, without adding any additional space, although reusing some existing basement space for new utilities. This is estimated to cost \$12.6 million. A new option that I support is to build a NEW Town Hall to the

right of the existing Town Hall, containing all town offices and meeting space on three floors plus basement, and containing a total of 11,500 square feet of finished space, plus basement. This seems like a new idea, but was originally proposed in 1926, when the house and property on the right side of Town Hall was purchased for \$20,000, and the existing house and barn were torn down. I believe that most people would rather invest in a new building, than change every aspect of the existing building to try hard to have it meet the Town's needs today. The cost of the new building at \$500/SF would be \$5.75 million. Performing the delayed maintenance of the existing Town Hall should be done separately, and after the new building is completed, except for any emergency roof repairs, which can't wait, and should be performed now with available funds (perhaps some of the \$300K). We have received enough documentation from the 2014 Report by HKT Architects, and the recent inspections to come up with some rough estimates for a new roof,

repair or replacing windows, and siding where needed, and fix the interior ceiling damage from the leaky roof. Now, what to do with the building we have today? The Town Hall and addition would make a wonderful "Center for Performing Arts", combining theater with arts and music, a potential home for the Cohasset Dramatic Club and groups like the South Shore Arts Center, as well as continued public space for voting and other uses. And what about renovations. The THRAC has identified many grants and other sources of funds to perform any needed work in the historic portion of the building. We need to act quickly, the train has left the station, and if anyone has other ideas or wants to support these ideas, they need to contact the Selectmen, and to attend the THRAC meetings which are open to the public. There are likely less than 6 or 8 weeks from now that the final plan or plans are accepted by the Selectmen to move this project forward to the design stage. Wayne Sawchuk lives at 432 Beechwood Street.

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Seventh-graders holding their Award as well as the Golden Ticket to the state competition. From left: Robert Erlandsen (science teacher), Max Hughes, Reid Nussbaum, Isabella Smith, Natalia Corwin, Thayer Bernier, Chase Hansen, Laura Saiz, Miya Bishop and Sophie Gardiner. Not pictured is team member Emma Thornton. [COURTESY PHOTO]

Lego team heading to state competition

On Saturday, Dec. 2nd, seventh-graders at the Cohasset Middle-High Cohasset passed the regional competition in the First Lego League and qualified for the state

competition to take place on Worcester on Dec. 16th. They also won an Award for the Core Values in the program. The Gracious Professionalism Award that recognizes a team

whose members show each other and other teams respect at all times. They recognize that both friendly competition and mutual gain are possible, on and off the playing field.

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GOOD DEEDS

The case for mortgage transparency



WILLIAM P. O'DONNELL

Let's face it, for most of us purchasing a home will be the biggest investment we'll make in our lifetime, and it may also be our biggest financial obligation as well. Today, according to the latest U.S. Census Bureau's numbers, the average estimated price of an owner-occupied dwelling in Norfolk County is approximately \$400,000.

It was these thoughts that I had in mind when I testified before the state legislature's Joint Committee on the Judiciary on legislation providing for greater mortgage

transparency when it comes to selling (assigning) of a homeowner's mortgage. These two similar pieces of legislation (Senate Bill 880 and House Bill 790) would require that any residential mortgage assigned to a third party must be recorded with the appropriate Registry of Deeds within 30 days of its execution.

It makes a great deal of sense to require residential mortgage assignments to be filed at the Registry of Deeds. After all, recording and storing land related documents for real estate transactions is something that has been done at the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds for nearly 225 years. Presently, the Registry maintains over 6 million land related documents. If enacted, this legislation will eliminate the possibility that a

homeowner may not know who the holder of their mortgage is because an assignment was not recorded. Currently, if homeowners are not aware who holds their mortgage, coupled with banks having gone out of business or merged, the homeowners must then contact the State's Division of Banks and Banking in an attempt to track down who actually held the homeowner's mortgage. This legislation would make assignments of residential mortgages more transparent for the consumer.

As my colleague, Plymouth County Register of Deeds John Buckley told the Joint Committee on Judiciary, "This is a consumer bill. The way we look at it, a person who pays \$175 to record a mortgage ought to know who holds it as it goes forward." The bill also creates a more

level playing field between smaller community banks and larger lending institutions: smaller community banks tend to hold their mortgages, whereas many of the large lending institutions have not recorded their mortgage assignments. It would also curtail the avoidance of paying recording fees by the lending institutions, which now results in the loss of needed revenue.

There is a lot to like about this legislation and it is the main reason why 67 legislators have signed on to the bill, many of whom are from Norfolk County. State Representative Bill Galvin (D-Canton) is the lead House sponsor and State Senator John Keenan (D-Quincy) is the lead Senate sponsor.

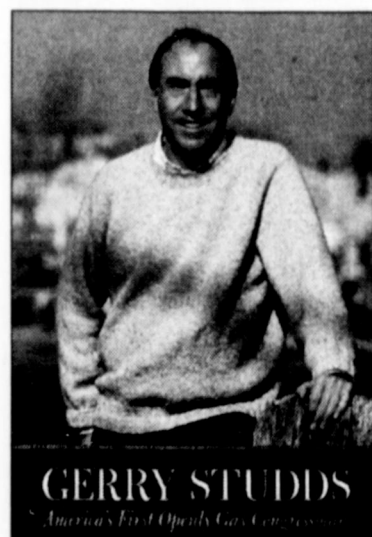
In the meantime, if you would like to check to see if a

mortgage assignment or mortgage discharge is on file here at the Registry of Deeds, please don't hesitate to contact our Customer Service office at 781-461-6101 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Our staff will be glad to help you out.

Around The Real Estate Block: Cohasset property sales totaled 25 for October 2017. The average property sale price (including residential and commercial) for October was \$1,182,767. Homestead filings for October were 18. There were 0 foreclosure deeds filed against Cohasset properties for the month of October.

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LIBRARY CORNER



Mark Schneider will give a talk on his new book **Gerry Studds: America's First Openly Gay Congressman** on January 7. Studds was from Cohasset. [COURTESY PHOTO]

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Author talk on book about Gerry Studds

Paul Pratt Memorial Library, 35 Ripley Road. Call 781-383-1348 for more information or visit our website at www.cohassetlibrary.org.

Library Book Group: Join us for coffee and discussion of the book "The Uncommon Reader" by Alan Bennett on Wednesday, Dec. 27, at 10 a.m. All are welcome!

Computer Basics Workshop: If you want to learn how to use a computer, come to this free workshop on Thursday, Jan. 4, at 10 a.m. led by Reference and Young Adult Librarian Mrs. Lengyel. Signup with her by calling the library.

Friday Films at the Library: Enjoy a free, daytime movie at the library on Friday, Jan. 5, at 2 p.m. Snacks will be available. Call the library for more movie information.

Sunday Author Talks: Mark Schneider will give a talk on his new book "Gerry Studds: America's First Openly Gay Congressman" on Sunday, Jan. 7, at 4 p.m. A book signing will follow the talk. Seating is limited. Sunday Author Talks series is sponsored by Dean & Hamilton Realtors and Goodale Insurance.

Author Talk: Richard Udden, author of "21 Months, 24 Days" will give a presentation called "The Choices We Make" on Thursday, Jan. 11, at 7 p.m. Mr. Udden will share some of his memories and photos from his time in the Vietnam war. His presentation is a story of acceptance and coping with the strain of war. It ends with ideas that have helped him replace innocent choices with informed ones and to remain calm under fire. All are welcome.

VIEW FROM THE FRONT PORCH

Crazy ole Nick: A Christmas Story



JOHN MCSHEFFREY

The air was filled with excitement as people slowly emptied Fenway Park. The crowd had just seen the Sox win, and it was extra special for six-year-old Connor and his younger brother Luke, who had just seen their first Red Sox game.

Holding their Dad's hand, the boys noticed a man sitting on the sidewalk with his back up against the wall. He was a bearded old man in tattered clothes, with a sign and a cup. A passerby reached into his pocket and threw some change at him.

"Dad, what does his sign say?" Connor said pointing at the man.

Looking over, and then at the troubled look on his son's face, Connor's Dad read the sign, "Help Feed the Homeless." Connor paused, looked at the man and reached into his pocket. He had six dollars and fifty cents leftover from the program his father let him buy. He walked over and put it in the cup.

The panhandler looked up at Connor, smiled and gave him a wink and a nod. The wink startled Connor, who quickly smiled and walked away.

Later that night tucking Connor into bed with his treasured blue blanket his Mom said, "Your Dad and I are very proud of you for helping feed the homeless today."

"I didn't help feed anyone," Connor said. "That man who winked at me did. Mom, can we help him some more, I've been thinking about him. Could we make him sandwiches and cookies and bring them to him?"

"Of course we could," his mother beamed, kissed his forehead, shut the light off and closed the door. Snuggling with his blanket, Connor tried to think of the game, but all he could think of was the wink the old man had given him.

The next weekend they all made cookies and sandwiches, piled into the car and headed back to where they had seen the man. Connor held on to his blanket as he nervously looked out the window. When they neared the ballpark, they spotted a group of men standing by the old railroad tracks. Connor's Dad pulled over.

"Excuse me," Connor's Dad said to the guys who had set up a small camp under the

overpass. "We are looking for a gentleman who was asking for food money last week after the Sox game. My son put some money in his cup and today we brought him some sandwiches and cookies."

"You've got to do better than that", exclaimed a man wearing a weathered red checkered jacket, "That describes a lot of guys. Do you have enough food to share?"

Connor spoke up as his Dad handed the guys the food, "He had a beard and when I gave him some money he smiled and winked at me."

"Sounds like 'Crazy ole Nick'" Said a guy wearing a Patriots cap, "Shows up every couple of months, spends a few days and then moves on. He was here last week with a bunch of groceries; haven't seen him since."

"Yeah, he's a good soul," replied the guy with the checkered jacket, he's always smiling and winking at us too. That's why we call him 'Crazy ole Nick'. If you gave Nick money, I bet he bought somebody a meal with it. Next time he shows up, we'll tell him you came by. Thank you for the food."

Getting back in the car, Connor grabbed his blue blanket and said, "You know Dad, I'm glad we did that." His Dad just smiled as they headed home.

The autumn months quickly turned into winter, and this was okay with Connor and Luke because that meant Christmas was coming and so was Santa!

It was a few days before Christmas, and the weather forecasters were predicting a big snowstorm that night. "Brrrr" Connor's mom said as she walked into the house carrying groceries. "I'd hate to be outside today."

Connor paused when he heard his Mom say that. "Hey Mom", he said, "Do you think those guys near Fenway are outside today?"

"I don't know" she responded, putting the bags down on the counter. "Some of them might be."

Connor paused again, "Hey Mom, do you think we might be able to help them again, it's going to snow and you even said 'brrrr' when you came in."

Looking at Connor, his mom knew there was only one answer to the question, "Come on," she hollered, "We have a new Christmas project." All afternoon long they baked cookies, made soup and sandwiches and listened to Christmas carols. A few hours later, Connor and his father headed off to Boston again.

It began to snow as they headed out; lightly at first, but quickly the driving became

treacherous. Connor's Dad thought about turning around, but as he looked at his son leaning against his blanket he knew to keep going. Soon they parked, grabbed the bags, and made their way towards the train tracks. As they got closer they could hear the singing of Christmas carols coming from inside a larger tent.

"Hello is anyone here," shouted Connor's Dad, "Hello?"

Slowly, a head appeared from the tent. Connor recognized the red-checkered jacket. "Hi, remember us?" Connor asked, "We were here a few months ago. We've brought you some Christmas food."

The man looked at Connor, "Sure, I remember you; you brought the cookies." A few more guys popped their head out of the shelter.

Looking around Connor realized that the guys were actually living under the bridge, "Are you guys are sleeping out here in the cold?" he meekly asked.

"Connor," his Dad said, embarrassed of the question.

"No, it's okay" said the man in the checkered shirt, "Yeah, most the shelters are full this time of year, so we have to make do. We have a few extra blankets and the bridge keeps most the wind away. We manage."

"I'm sorry." Connor said softly.

"It's ok," said the man. "We manage, and we appreciate the food, Merry Christmas." Grabbing the bags, the guys headed back to their shelter.

"Dad, I can't believe they are sleeping outside, it's not fair." Connor said to his Dad as the stood outside the tent. The sounds of singing started up again as they stood there. Connor then looked up at his Dad, unzipped his jacket, and pulled out his blue blanket. "Dad, they need this, it's really cold."

"Connor, that's your blue blanket!" his Dad exclaimed. But he could see in his son's eyes that the boy was serious. He gave his son a hug and nodded his head. Connor took a deep breath and knocked on the shelter; the guy in the red-checkered jacket came out and looked at Connor.

"Um, I want you to have this to help you keep warm." Connor said holding out his blanket. The man paused, looked at the young boy and then at his father who proudly nodded.

Taking the blanket, the man looked at Connor, and softly said, "Kid, this is the nicest gift anyone has ever given me." Connor smiled and grabbed his Dad's hand. "Hey kid, I almost forgot; Crazy ole Nick was here a few weeks back and he told

me he remembered you. He even said you gave him six dollars and fifty cents. He chuckled about winking at you, and said was very proud of you."

Connor was shocked but didn't say anything. "Thank you," Connor's Dad said. "Take care of yourself and try to stay warm."

"Merry Christmas to you both" the man said going back into the tent.

As they drove home Connor felt a bit empty and sad; he was having regrets about giving his blanket away, but he wasn't going to tell anyone. "Connor", his Dad said looking at his son sitting in the back seat, "I love you." That brought a smile to young Connor's face.

The next few days seemed to go by pretty fast considering Christmas was so close. Connor and Luke helped their Dad shovel; they made a snowman, and tried to stay busy to make the time go by faster. Even with all that was going on, Connor was consumed about missing his blue blanket, but he wasn't telling anyone.

Finally Christmas morning arrived. Santa had come during the night, leaving stockings overflowing, and a mountain of presents under the tree. Wrapping paper flew everywhere as Connor and Luke opened present after present, with each gift seemingly more exciting than the last. "Here Connor, here's another for you." Connor's Mom said grabbing a wrapped gift from the back of the tree.

He looked at the box for only a second, and then ripped into the wrapping. Opening the box he gasped and then began shouting, "ITS MY BLUE BLANKET, MY BLUE BLANKET!!!"

Stunned; his parents looked at each other, and then at Connor hugging the blanket. His father picked up the note in the box and read it out loud. "Dearest Connor, You have the unique gift of truly understanding that giving is the true meaning of Christmas, and that the season lasts not just for one day, but all year long. May you never lose that special gift, and may you continue to share it with everyone you meet."

Warmly, "Crazy ole Nick" (wink) Santa

As always, thanks for reading. May we all take a few steps during the holidays and year round to help those who are less fortunate. Merry Christmas. John McSheffrey has been part of the Cohasset community since 2007 and can be reached at jjmcs@aol.com

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Vo-Tech School Committee member appointed

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George Cooney certainly has some big shoes to fill. Cooney, who called himself a "dedicated, multi-faceted professional," will fill the position as Cohasset representative on the South Shore Regional Vocational Technical High School's School Committee.

The position was abruptly vacated after the sudden passing of long-time Committee member Kenneth Thayer in August. He

was 67.

Thayer -- who served Cohasset's Department of Public Works for 17 years -- was known for his passion to help students find their path in life in addition to his interest in the automotive trade. Thayer retired from the Cohasset DPW in 2015 but still continued to serve as the Vice Chair of the VoTech School Committee until he passed this year.

Cooney, who lives on James Lane, spent more than 20 years in the automotive industry, including experience as an automotive

instructor at Universal Technical Institute (UTI) in Norwood and Porter and Chester in Canton. He holds a bachelor of science in operations management from Northeastern University.

Cooney firmly believes that the automotive trade still has value, and feels the VoTech offers a phenomenal program for all trades.

"I hope that in this position, I hope I am able to promote what the school could offer as an option to a student that would otherwise attend Cohasset High School, which is usually college

preparatory," said Cooney.

This largely echoed the sentiments previously expressed by Thayer, who was adamant about getting young people involved in trades. Cooney added that he would like to help emphasize some of the school's lesser-known programs, such as their variety of adult education programs.

Selectman Diane Kennedy lauded Cooney for his interest in the position considering the high expectations that may accompany it and said she is

confident he will fill the position well. Selectmen Chairman Paul Schubert also said he has confidence in what Cooney can bring to the table as the school's Cohasset representative.

"This is a very important task and I know [Cooney] will do a very good job in this position," said Schubert.

The South Shore Regional Vocational Technical High School serves eight towns, including Cohasset, and offers 14 different trade programs.

MCAS

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achievement level their child has reached.

Superintendent Louise Demas warned parents that less than 10 percent of students per district are expected to score "exceeding expectations" on the new MCAS test, unlike the large number of students in the district who score

"Advanced" on the legacy MCAS test.

Demas added that there will be no measurable growth in the 2017 data since the two tests are scored differently.

School officials were still able to identify areas for growth within the elementary, middle and high schools based on the data from the 2017 test results. At the elementary level, the Literacy Study team will analyze the scores and explore resources and pedagogy accordingly in addition

to exploring 'Envision Math' and developing more rigorous word problems for all grades.

Additionally, Sullivan said all teams will work to address areas of need within the curricula and unwrap new science standards released by the state.

At the middle school level, teachers will increase open response writing with students -- shifting the focus more toward expository writing as opposed to personal narratives -- and adding more non-fiction to their

reading. Students will be encouraged to use apps such as 'Prodigy' and 'Reflex Student' at both the middle and high school levels as an alternative method to address certain math standards.

Sullivan said science teachers at the middle school level spend the summer of 2017 aligning their standards in response to the MCAS results.

School officials hope to make the curricula accessible through all Universal Design for Learning principles at the high school

level, in addition to revisiting certain areas of math to ensure students' knowledge of basic material. Science instruction in the high school will also shift as teachers dive deeper in to students' areas of need.

Demas noted that new standards in both English and Science will both be coming out within the next year. Until the next-generation test can be fully integrated, Demas said, "We are in a state of flux."



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THE HOUSE AND SENATE: Beacon Hill Roll Call records local senator's votes on three roll calls from the week of December 4-8. There were no roll calls in the House last week.

SEN. STAN ROSENBERG RESIGNS FROM SENATE PRESIDENCY - "I believe taking a leave of absence from the Senate Presidency during the investigation is in the best interest of the Senate," said Sen. Stan Rosenberg (D-Amherst). "I want to ensure that the investigation is fully independent and credible, and that anyone who wishes to come forward will feel confident that there will be no retaliation."

Last week saw Rosenberg's resignation, the election of Worcester's Sen. Harriette Chandler, the majority leader and second-in-command in the Senate, to replace him for now and the beginning of an investigation by the Senate Ethics Committee into allegations in the Boston Globe that Rosenberg's husband, Bryon Hefner, groped three men and kissed another one against his will. The Globe story also included claims that Hefner said he speaks for Rosenberg and talks about Senate business with legislators and their staffs.

"Choices had to be made and today we've chosen to move on and to move forward," Chandler said. "What's most important right now is that we work towards a swift and resolute conclusion to this whole sad event." Chandler has stated that she plans only to serve as interim president and to step down when Rosenberg returns, or a new Senate president is elected.

"I have repeatedly made clear that Bryon was to have no influence on what happens in the Senate," said Rosenberg. "He has no influence over policy, the internal operations of the Senate, or any Senate-related business. If Bryon claimed to have influence over my decisions or over the Senate, he should not have said that. It is simply not true."

The Senate empowered the Ethics Committee to begin the investigation of the sexual assault charges against Hefner, whether Rosenberg violated any rules of the Senate and if Hefner did have any influence over what happens in the Senate.

"I think it's really important that this gets started," said Gov. Charlie Baker. "It's going to be really important for Chandler and for all of the members of the Ethics Committee to demonstrate by both who they choose and what the rules are that whoever it is that's conducting this investigation has the latitude and the independence to provide comfort to those people who are going to come forward who were victimized -- that they won't suffer repercussions for doing so."

"I wish to reemphasize that the most important thing is to make sure that anyone who may have been hurt has every assurance that they can turn to whatever authority they feel comfortable with, with absolutely no fear of retribution, and to restore confidence in the Senate," said Rosenberg in a written statement. "During my leave of absence from being Senate president, I look forward to a thorough, fair, and independent investigation. I thank my colleagues for providing this opportunity and have every confidence that the Acting President will help the Senate focus on a robust agenda for 2018."

"I am deeply disturbed by these allegations which jeopardize the integrity of the Senate," said Sen. Michael Rodrigues (D-Westport), chairman of the Ethics Committee. "Sexual harassment and assault have no place in the Massachusetts state Senate or any workplace. I am committed to a fair and thorough review of the facts as well as a process that ensures confidentiality for any person who has any information to report on sexual harassment or sexual assaults."

The Senate cannot bring criminal charges against anyone. However, Attorney General Maura Healey and Suffolk County District Attorney Dan Conley issued a joint statement that encourages victims to come forward.

"We ask anyone with this information to contact either office, and we remind every survivor of sexual assault that they can count on us to provide a safe, respectful, victim-centered environment, no matter what the circumstances might be," said the two prosecutors. "Sexual assault is a crime and we want to send a clear message that harassment and assault of any kind will not be tolerated."

No one knows if Rosenberg will return as Senate president or whether the Senate will elect a new permanent one. Everything hinges on the outcome of the probe. However, "just in case," four senators are said to be already jockeying for votes for Senate President: Sens. Sal DiDomenico (D-Everett), Linda Dorena Forry (D-Boston), Karen Spilka (D-Ashland) and Eileen Donoghue (D-Lowell).

Here are the votes of local senators on Chandler's election, opening the investigation and recusing Rosenberg and his staff from all decisions relating to the investigation.

Sen. Marc Pacheco	Voted for Chandler
Sen. Michael Rodrigues	Voted for Chandler
Sen. Walter Timilty	Voted for Chandler

AUTHORIZE INVESTIGATION (S 2228)

Senate 37-0, authorized the Senate Ethics Committee to retain a special investigator to investigate the question of whether Rosenberg violated the rules of the Senate. The investigation is in response to claims that Hefner bragged that he has influence over Rosenberg, speaks for him and talks about Senate business with legislators and their staffs.

(A "Yes" vote is for the investigation and appointment of a special investigator.)

Sen. Michael Brady	Yes
Sen. Vinny deMacedo	Yes
Sen. John Keenan	Yes
Sen. Mark Montigny	Yes
Sen. Patrick O'Connor	Yes
Sen. Marc Pacheco	Yes
Sen. Michael Rodrigues	Yes
Sen. Walter Timilty	Yes

RECUSE ROSENBERG AND HIS STAFF (S 2227)

Senate 37-0, approved an order that Rosenberg and his entire Senate staff be recused from all decisions relating to investigations of the conduct of Rosenberg or Hefner.

(A "Yes" vote is for recusal.)

Sen. Michael Brady	Yes
Sen. Vinny deMacedo	Yes
Sen. John Keenan	Yes
Sen. Mark Montigny	Yes
Sen. Patrick O'Connor	Yes
Sen. Marc Pacheco	Yes
Sen. Michael Rodrigues	Yes
Sen. Walter Timilty	Yes

ALSO UPON BEACON HILL

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES - The Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities Committee held a hearing on several proposals involving persons with disabilities including:

REPLACE "HANDICAP" WITH "DISABILITY" (S 50) - Strikes all references in the state's General Laws to "handicap" and replace them with "disability."

Supporters said over the years, the word "handicap" has developed a negative connotation and is commonly perceived as being offensive by implying that persons with disabilities are somehow lesser than their able-bodied peers.

PROHIBIT ELECTRIC SHOCK TREATMENT (S 93) - Prohibits any state or local facilities from using electric shock therapy, hitting, pinching or any procedure which causes obvious signs of physical pain on individuals with a physical, intellectual or developmental disability.

DISABILITY AWARENESS TRAINING (H 3802) - Establishes a mandatory disability awareness training for employees of the Massachusetts House and Senate, Massport, MBTA, and all public safety agencies. Disability is defined in the measure as a person with "physical or developmental impairments blindness, deafness, and intellectual disabilities."

SOME 2018 POSSIBLE BALLOT QUESTIONS CLEAR ANOTHER HURDLE - Sponsors of several possible ballot questions for the November 2018 election faced another deadline last week in the long process to get their proposed law on the ballot. Sponsors had until December 6 to file 64,750 valid signatures with Secretary of State's Bill Galvin's office. If the signatures are certified by Galvin's office, the proposal would then be sent to the Legislature and if not approved by May 2, 2018, proponents must gather another 10,792 signatures by July 4, 2018, in order for the question to appear on the November 2018 ballot. Supporters try to gather a lot more than the 64,750 signatures required in order to ensure that they have 64,750 certified ones.

When this process began several months ago, there were 26 initiative petitions for proposed laws filed for the 2018 ballot. Only five have made it to this semi-final stage.

In the 2016 election, 35 proposals were submitted, with only four ultimately collecting sufficient signatures to make it to the ballot. Only two of those were approved by voters and are law today. One legalized the possession, growing and sale of marijuana. The other one prohibits any farmers from confining any pigs, calves or hens in a way that prevents the animal from lying down, standing up, fully extending its limbs or turning around freely.

The sponsors of five ballot questions, certified by the Attorney General Maura Healey in September, dropped off their signatures last week. Although the secretary of state has not yet certified the signatures, proponents

of the five questions are confident they have collected sufficient signatures.

HIKE MINIMUM WAGE - Increases the minimum hourly wage from \$11 per hour to \$12 in 2019, \$13 in 2020, \$14 in 2021 and \$15 in 2022. Raise Up Massachusetts, the group sponsoring the question, says it has dropped off 139,055 signatures.

"Our state's economy works best for everyone when all working people are able to meet their basic needs," said spokesman Andrew Farnitano. "But today, a full-time worker in Massachusetts earning the current minimum wage of \$11 an hour can't afford the cost of groceries, housing, heating and other basic needs."

FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE - Creates a program to provide paid family and medical leave to Massachusetts workers. Raise Up Massachusetts is also the group sponsoring this question, and says sponsors dropped off 135,597 signatures.

"When a family medical emergency happens, or a new child is born, workers are often left to choose between taking care of the family member they love or keeping the job that puts food on the table," said spokesman Andrew Farnitano.

REDUCE SALES TAX TO 5 PERCENT AND ESTABLISH SALES TAX HOLIDAY - Reduces the state's sales tax from 6.25 percent to 5 percent and at the same time establishes an annual two-day permanent sales tax holiday in August that allows consumers to buy most products that cost under \$2,500 without paying the state.

"There exists significant support for reducing the state sales tax and creating an annual sales tax holiday with the voters, as evidenced by recent public polls and the ease at which we were able to collect signatures," said Jon Hurst, Chairman of the coalition and President of the Retailers Association of Massachusetts. "Voters support reducing the sales tax because it hits seniors and low-income families disproportionately and is making it more difficult for our small business to compete with the tax-free New Hampshire and online sellers."

LIMIT THE NUMBER OF PATIENTS PER NURSE - Limits how many patients can be assigned to each registered nurse in Massachusetts hospitals and certain other healthcare facilities. The maximum number of patients per registered nurse would vary by type of unit and level of care. Sponsors say they dropped off more than 100,000 signatures.

"Nurses are tasked with addressing life or death scenarios every single day, and are the critical line of defense protecting your loved ones," said Jeffrey Crosby of the Committee to Ensure Safe Patient Care. "There are safe staffing limits for so many other fields, like daycare providers and children, pharmacists and support staff, nursing home care providers and residents. Study after study after study shows that safe staffing limits are a no-brainer."

CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS - Creates a citizens' commission to consider and recommend potential amendments to the U.S. Constitution to establish that corporations do not have the same constitutional rights as human beings and that corporations' campaign contributions and expenditures may be regulated. Sponsors say they delivered more than 85,000 signatures.

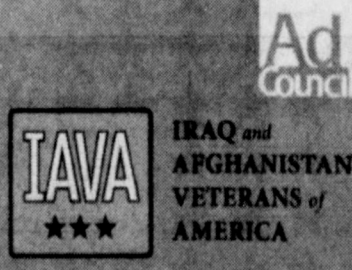
The proposal is in response to the Supreme Court's 2010 decision in Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission. In that decision, the court ruled that the First Amendment prohibits the government from restricting corporations, unions and individuals from donating unlimited funds to Super Political Action Committees (PACs) that do not donate directly to candidates or political parties.

"Since that decision, more than \$46 billion from corporations, unions, the wealthy, super PACs, and it now appears, foreign intelligence operations, has been spent to influence the outcome of American elections," says Jeff Clements, President of the sponsor American Promise. "The 28th Amendment is the only way to combat a corrupt political system dominated by money."

HOW LONG WAS LAST WEEK'S SESSION? Beacon Hill Roll Call tracks the length of time that the House and Senate were in session each week. Many legislators say that legislative sessions are only one aspect of the Legislature's job and that a lot of important work is done outside of the House and Senate chambers. They note that their jobs also involve committee work, research, constituent work and other matters that are important to their districts. Critics say that the Legislature does not meet regularly or long enough to debate and vote in public view on the thousands of pieces of legislation that have been filed. They note that the infrequency and brief length of sessions are misguided and lead to irresponsible late-night sessions and a mad rush to act on dozens of bills in the days immediately preceding the end of an annual session.

During the week of December 4-8, the House met for a total of 59 minutes while the Senate met for a total of eight hours and 53 minutes.

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Worked stopped at King Street (Route 3A) site

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All work at 149 King Street (Route 3A, across from Dunkin' Donuts) has been ordered stopped, according to a cease and desist order issued to land owner Matthew Shannon last Thursday (Dec. 7) by Cohasset Conservation Agent Jeff Summers.

According to the order, evidence at the site suggested that recent vegetation removal activities were conducted in violation of the Cohasset Stormwater Management Bylaw, including the

clearing of trees and destruction of plant life. The Conservation Commission believes that a Stormwater Permit is required for the work recently conducted before any work can resume on the site.

The Conservation Commission was scheduled to address the issue and discuss potential resolutions at their upcoming meeting on Thursday (Dec. 14) after the Mariner went to press. Until then, no further work is currently permitted on the site.

The order stated that formal enforcement actions, including

Enforcement Orders and monetary fines, may ensue until the matter is resolved.

Shannon, who acquired the property in June, said he had hired a company to locate wires from a nearby cell tower, leading them to cut down a significant number of trees in the process. Shannon said he was unaware at the time that he could not alter more than 5,000 square feet of land without a Stormwater Permit but is willing to comply with the Commission's requests.

In addition to opening up another location for his business,

Matthew's Jeweler's, Shannon plans using the land to build retail and office space geared toward small businesses.

In the meantime, the Commission has asked that Shannon "immediately stabilize exposed soils" and "install barriers" to eliminate potential erosion and ensure no materials escape the property during or after rain events respectively.

Building Inspector Bob Egan said he became aware of the issue at the beginning of last week, but believes the tree cutting may have begun the week prior.

While he is not surprised the land was bought with the intent to develop, Egan said the building process would require a lengthy permitting process, something he said Shannon has yet to begin.

"This is not the way things are done," said Egan. "It would be a long permitting process to do anything, even if things go well, so I'm not sure why these steps have not been taken."

Shannon said he would attend the meeting with his attorney, Rich Henderson.

Coyote population saturates Massachusetts

By Gerry Tuoti
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Once completely foreign to Massachusetts, coyotes have become increasingly common throughout the state, turning up in rural, suburban, and even, urban areas.

"We're now pretty well saturated with coyotes in this state," said Dave Wattles, a biologist with the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife. "They started to colonize this state in the 1950s, and we're now seeing the far end of that colonization. We now have coyotes in every mainland town in the state, and in relatively high densities. All available habitat is occupied by coyotes."

While physical encounters with people are uncommon, the topic of coyote attacks in Massachusetts gained new attention in November after a rabid coyote attacked two people in North Attleboro. The Nov. 20 incident represents the eighth and ninth coyote attacks on humans since the 1950s.

Contrary to the popular image of the lone coyote howling at the moon on the open range, coyotes in Massachusetts live in small family packs and have become established in urban and residential communities where they have access to even a small wooded area.

"In general, they do better in suburban and urban areas where there's more food," said Jonathan Way, founder of Eastern Coyote/Coywolf Research. He opposes the state's policy of allowing coyotes

Coyotes in Massachusetts

THE ISSUE: Coyotes are now common throughout Massachusetts.

THE IMPACT: Coyotes typically pose a minimal threat to people, but may attack unsupervised pets.

to be hunted with relatively few restrictions.

In rural and wild areas, coyotes often have to travel farther in search of food. But in urban and residential areas, coyotes may occupy smaller territories and be more densely populated.

Sources of food include rabbits, mice, birdfeeders, trash and, the occasional, deer.

Research has shown eastern coyotes, such as those that live in Massachusetts are a hybrid species, genetically distinct from western coyotes. Their DNA profile is roughly 60 percent western coyote, 30 percent wolf and 10 percent dog, Way said.

Due to the distinct genetic profile of a hybrid species, Way prefers to call eastern coyotes "coywolves."

On average, they weigh 30 to 40 pounds, as compared to the smaller western coyotes, which have an average weight between 25 and 30 pounds.

While coyote attacks on people are rare, they may prey on pet cats and small dogs.

"Coyotes will see small pets as potential prey items," said



Coyotes have adapted well to life in Massachusetts. Sightings are common all along the South Shore. [WICKED LOCAL PHOTO]

Wattles. "It is highly-recommended people do not let their cats outside. The same goes for small dogs. It's highly-recommended that they are kept on leash and someone is on other end of that leash."

Territorial animals, coyotes may also perceive a large dog as a threat or competitor to their turf, Wattles said. This might cause coyotes to attack, as well.

"Supervising pets is the main thing for protecting them," he said. "The presence of human should be enough to discourage coyotes from attacking pets."

In most cases, people can take steps to keep coyotes away from their yards.

"Quite often a coyote in someone's backyard causes panic,"

Wattle said.

There are two main steps people can take to keep unwanted coyotes away.

"One is removing all food sources," he said. "The reason coyotes come into backyards is to take advantage of the food that's there. Doing it on a neighborhood scale will reduce the frequency of these animals. The next step is chasing the animals making loud noises with air horns or pots and pans. Over time, that will reinforce the natural fear they have of people."

Another wild canine species has also become more common in recent years. Red and gray foxes are common throughout Massachusetts. Like coyotes, they

can be active at any time of day or night.

They are naturally fearful of people, but are also very curious animals, Wattles said.

They may live in urban, suburban or rural areas. They are less of a predatory threat to pets than coyotes, but they may occasionally attack an unsupervised cat or very small dog.

"With both species, the threat toward people extremely minimal," Wattle said. "But if it's a rabid animal, the rules go out the window. Rabies is more common in foxes than in coyotes. Anytime anyone sees fox or coyote acting oddly or showing aggression, they should call the local police immediately to get assistance."

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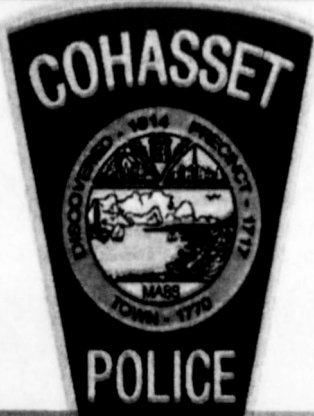
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HOCKEY

Girls win, boys tie

The Cohasset/Hanover girls hockey team started its season with a tie and a win.

In the season opener, the girls tied Barnstable 2-2 and followed with a 6-1 win over Martha's Vineyard Wednesday.

Against M-V, Morgan Foley scored twice and Morgan Lundin, Lily Tobin, Sydney Davis and Lauren Farren scored solo goals.

Goalie Anna Tedeschi had 20 saves.

Tedeschi also had some huge saves in the third period to help secure the tie with Barnstable.

Alyssa Wilcox and Krista Soldano both scored.

Davis and Jacqui Manning along with Foley and Farren had assists.

In the boys opener, Cohasset tied Watertown 3-3 on the road, scoring twice in the third period.

Senior captain Ryan Losordo scored twice and sophomore Declan McHugh added a solo tally.

Sophomore goaltender Ethan Bartucca was solid all night and turned aside 31 shots in his season debut.

"We did not move the puck very well in the first two periods and it showed in our lack of shots," Cohasset coach Phil Mahoney said. "We simplified in the third and did a much better job driving to the net. We also created some nice opportunities from the slot with better passing. We are a very young team and will need to embrace the basics as we grow."

Big time adjustment

Boys basketball looking to adjust to adversity

By William Wassersug
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Heading into his tenth season as head basketball coach at Cohasset High School, Bo Ruggiero has a record of excellence that includes 150 wins and lots of success in the postseason, including a trip to the Div. 4 South Sectional Semifinal and a 17-6 overall record.

The Skippers will be looking at another successful season, but as it happens in sports, the best plans can turn at any moment, and this year is no different and they'll have to make a big adjustment after last year's star center Chase Bomeisler was injured during the football season and will miss his senior season.

Ruggiero isn't sugar coating the loss of the 6-7 senior, who

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Cohasset's Tommy Carrabes makes a move during the Skippers 66-31 win over Sturgis Tuesday. [COURTESY PHOTO/DAN LEAHY]

Back in the mix



Cohasset's Deveney Curry gets after a loose ball during a 50-20 win over Whitinsville Christian Monday Dec. 11 at Cohasset High School. [COURTESY PHOTO/DAN LEAHY]

Talented and experienced girls basketball team expecting big season

By Mark Ducharme
Correspondent

There are plenty of attributes that Cohasset girls basketball coach John Levangie can list about why his team that is ready for the 2017-18 season.

Last year, The Skippers made their way to the Div. 4 South Sectional championship game where they lost to a talented Cathedral team.

This year, Cohasset has most of its team back.

That is the good news for Cohasset and bad news for the teams on their schedule.

"We have almost all of our team back and most of the girls have had success in the other sports that they play," Levangie said. "This team has some good attributes. We have speed and the girls are very good athletes, but they are basketball players too. The girls have a good basketball IQ."

There are other attributes that make Cohasset one of the better teams in the South Shore League. "We have a lot of experience," Levangie said. "The seniors on the team have four years of experience. The girls came in and are

ready to go. They are ahead of where I thought they would be."

Cohasset has five seniors that will all be captains on the team.

Zoe Doherty, Elle Hansen, Lauren Cuning, Hailey Chenette and MC (Mary Catherine) Crumley.

Chenette has come off the bench and the other four will start for Cohasset.

The five seniors are strong leaders according to the coach.

Juniors Jane Hansen, Annie Toomey and Elise Wimberly add to the experience and depth of the team.

The bench has plenty of young

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The Fab Four

Hanover boys, Braintree girls open at No. 1

By Chris McDaniel

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Basketball season is already back in full swing.

Local high school basketball teams began playing games last week and we should be in store for another exciting season on the South Shore.

The Hanover boys return most of last year's team, which won the Division 3 state championship. The Braintree girls continued their standard of excellence with a state championship appearance last winter.

Several other teams that return young cores will be looking to make a jump.

Last year's record is in parenthesis.

Boys

1. Hanover (23-3) - The Indians graduated just three players from last year's state champion team. Matt Delahunt and J.P. Landry, Hanover's top two scorers last year, both return. The Indians' biggest challenge will be moving up to Division 2 this year. Hanover opened the year on Friday with a win over Rockland after trailing by double digits in the second half.

2. Scituate (13-9) - The Sailors boast a young roster that includes nine sophomores, but Scituate played plenty of young players last season. If the Sailors' young players have developed, this team's ceiling will be extremely high.

3. Norwell (20-4) - The Clippers have won at least 18 games in each of the past three seasons. Coach John Willis is one of the best around and should have his team back in the mix in Division 3.

4. Cohasset (17-6) - The Skippers return some talented players from a team that reached the Division 4 South Sectional semifinals last winter.

On the bubble

Rockland (14-7): The Bulldogs gave Hanover everything it could handle on Friday. Rockland is always a tough test for opponents.

Braintree (12-8): The Wamps have to replace Nick Timberlake, who averaged 28.1 points per game last season.

Silver Lake (12-9): The Lakers seem to always find a way to make it into the tournament.

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Fine finish

Wrestling team finishes second at Scituate Tournament

By William Wassersug
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The Cohasset High School wrestling team opened its season in style with a second place finish at the Scituate Wrestling Tournament over the weekend at Scituate High School.

The tournament had nine teams, with the Skippers finishing behind Norwell.

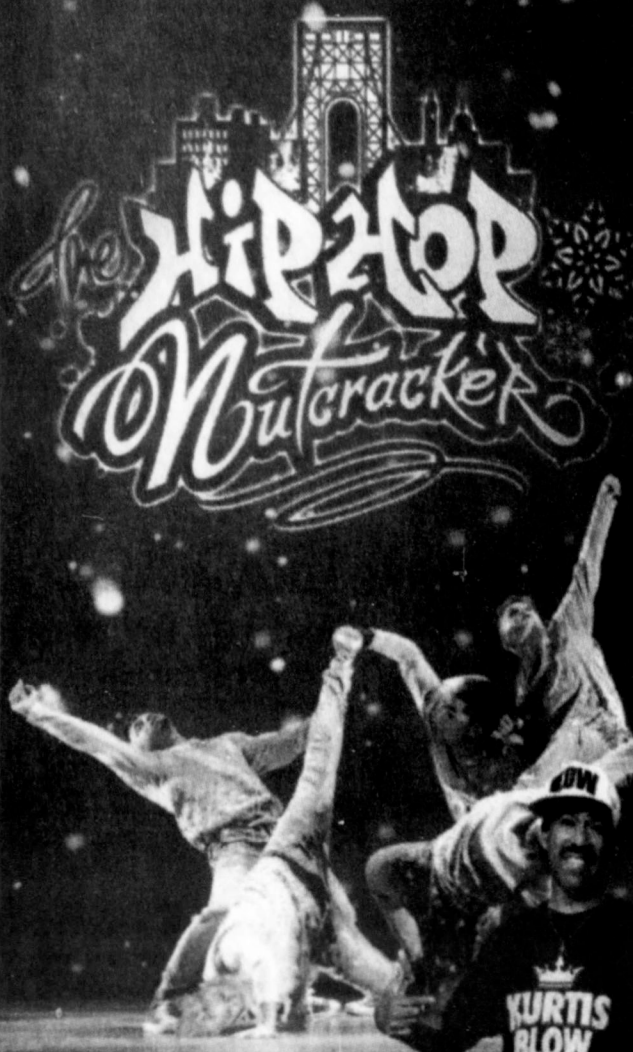
For the Skippers, Lado Tserlov (145), Mike Nolan

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The Cohasset wrestling team takes a photo after finishing second at the Scituate Wrestling Tournament over the weekend. [COURTESY PHOTO/COHASSET WRESTLING BOOSTERS]

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Will Greer honored at Roxbury Latin

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Roxbury Latin.

Greer led his team in overall scoring and coach Orlando Patterson called him the backbone of the team's offense and an overall leader on the field.



Cohasset's Will Greer, quarterback at Roxbury Latin, was selected All ISL first team and to the Class C All New England-NEPSAC first team for his performance on the gridiron. [COURTESY PHOTO]

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(152) and Grant Guempel (160) won championships, while Jake Fox (119) took second place in his division.

The 119 division was good to Cohasset, with Adam Wilmott finishing third.

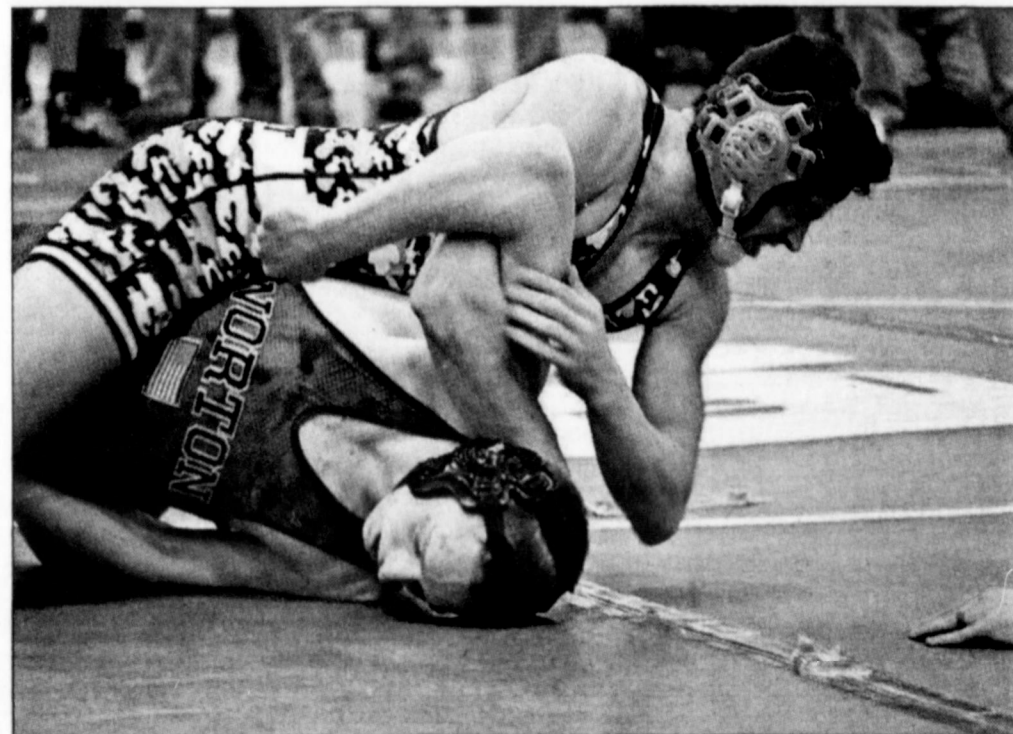
"We were able to enter two wrestlers in each division," Cohasset coach Torin Sweeney said. "Both of those guys placed. We also had two place at 182. Our senior captain Josh Rosen finished third and junior Cole Baker was fourth."

Sophomore Danny Nolan was a third place winner at 132 and senior captain David Burke (171), junior Joe Donoghue and freshman Drew Dockray (220) all finished fourth.

"He's going to be big for us," Sweeney said of Dockray. "He won some big matches for us as an eighth grader."

Sweeney has high hopes for the season.

"We were 16-9 last year and only lost two seniors," he said. "We have 35 kids this year and can fill every weight class. The interest has been great. We've got a lot of young kids involved."



Cohasset senior captain Mike Nolan won the 152 pound division at the Scituate Wrestling Tournament over the weekend. [COURTESY PHOTO/COHASSET WRESTLING BOOSTERS]

When it comes to filling weight classes, that can be the difference between wins and losses just having the spots filled.

The captains this year are seniors Mike Nolan, Grant Guempel, David Burke and Josh Rosen.

The Skippers were scheduled to host Maimonides in a dual meet Thursday Dec. 14 and host a quad Saturday Dec. 16 at 10 a.m. against Somerset Berkley, Silver Lake and Duxbury.

They'll host Hanover Dec. 20 at 7 p.m.



Cohasset wrestling captains Mike Nolan, Grant Guempel, David Burke and Josh Rosen. [COURTESY PHOTO/COHASSET WRESTLING BOOSTERS]

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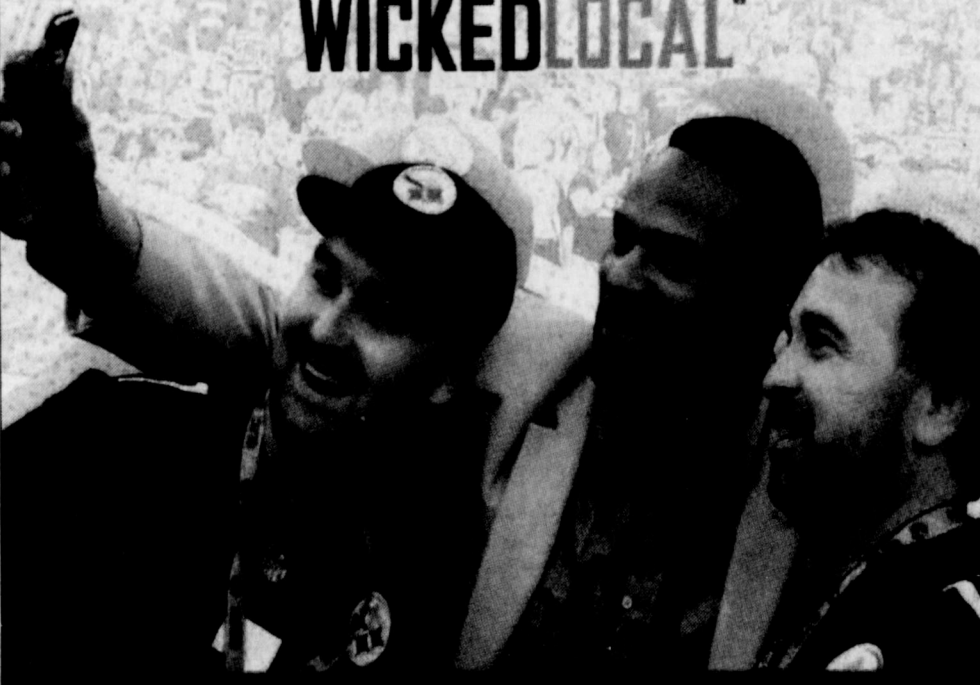
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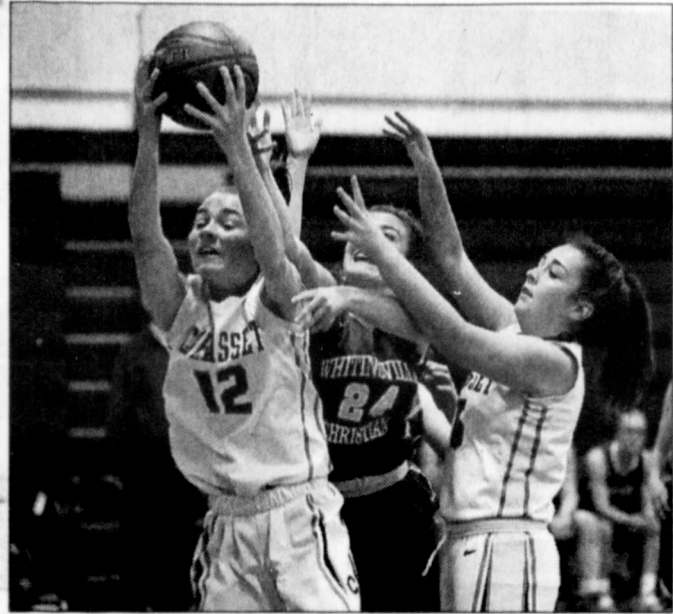
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Cohasset's Molly Greer pulls down a rebound against Whitinsville Christian Monday Dec. 11. [COURTESY PHOTO/DAN LEAHY]

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depth too it.

Sophomores Deveney Curry, Molly Greer and Bella Farren were key players and have experience according to the coach.

"All three girls played as much as the starters did last year," Levangie said.

The Skippers opened with a 50-20 win over Whitinsville Christian Monday Dec. 11 at home then has about a week off before they began their South Shore League schedule against Hull Tuesday Dec. 19 at 6:30 p.m. at

home.

Greer led the Skippers with 13 points and 10 rebounds in the Whitinsville Christian win and Curry chipped in 11 points.

Cohasset will host Carver on Dec. 21 in the league before concluding their 2017 part of the schedule with a non-league game at Nantucket Dec. 23 at 1 p.m.

The sectional is a long ways away, but it is still deep with the defending champion Cathedral and Coyle-Cassidy.

"We feel that we can compete with anybody," Levangie said. "This is a team that has great speed and I feel very good about this team."

teams. Coach Brian Fisher is hoping that winning breeds more winning.

Players of the week

Boys

A.J. Conn, Sr., Marshfield: Conn opened the year with a 22-point effort in a 60-46 win over Duxbury on Friday.

Abel Lopes Jr., Scituate: Lopes Jr. scored 20 points to lead the Sailors past Archbishop Williams, 79-46, on Friday.

Marco Carnes, Sr., Braintree: Carnes scored 19 points as the Wamps opened the year with a 52-35 win at Walpole.

Matt Delahunt, Sr., Hanover: Delahunt scored 22 of his 27 points in the second half as the Indians rallied from 14 down to defeat Rockland, 63-58, on Friday. Delahunt drilled five 3-pointers in the comeback.

Zach Sharland, Sr., Rockland: In a losing effort against Hanover, Sharland with a team-high 24 points.

Girls

Caroline Elie, Soph., Rockland: Elie opened the year with a 17-point performance in a 50-31 win over Scituate on Friday.

The Fab Four Basketball Power Rankings are decided with the help of several factors: record, strength of schedule, performance against teams and margin of victory. The public schools in our coverage area include: Abington, Braintree, Carver, Cohasset, Hanover, Hingham, Marshfield, Norwell, Pembroke, Plymouth North, Plymouth South, Rockland, Scituate, Silver Lake, and Weymouth. Send nominations for players of the week to cmcdaniel@wickedlocal.com or reach him on Twitter @ChrisMcDaniel88.

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Girls

1. Braintree (22-5) – The Wamps are one of the best public school sports teams in the state. This is a team that is a state championship favorite every winter.

2. Rockland (16-6) – The Bulldogs return four of their five starters from last season. The Bulldogs are the most likely public school in Division 3 to give Archbishop Williams or Fontbonne Academy a run for their money in Division 3 South.

3. Cohasset (18-8) – The Skippers reached the Division 4 South Sectional finals last year and should be back in the mix this fall.

4. Norwell (10-9) – The Clippers will be one of the fastest teams in the area and should give opponents headaches with their perimeter defense. Norwell's season will come down finding other players besides Kristi Vierra to chip in offensively.

On the bubble

Hingham (14-8): The Harborwomen will be without Haley Blasetti, a three-year starter at point guard who tore her ACL, but still have the pieces to be a pest this season.

Scituate (11-11): Skylar Rojik, Scituate's leading scorer last year, is hoping to help the Sailors toss their hat into the ring for what will be a wide open Patriot League Fisher Division.

Marshfield (16-5): The Rams have some pieces back from last year and should still be dangerous.

Hanover (19-2): The Indians have won 41 games over the last two seasons, but graduated a ton of talent from those

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averaged 20 points per game and 11 rebounds.

"Obviously the first thing to look at is the loss of a major player," Ruggiero said. "He's an outstanding player. I couldn't ask for a better kid. He'll be difficult to replace, but I'm more saddened for the young man. He had a great career for me. We'll just have to move on and compete. We all realize how much he meant to the team. Without him we'll have to make adjustments. The magnitude of what he brought to this team as a player and a person are not replaceable."

That said, Ruggiero will do what he can to have his team ready to play and adjust to the loss.

"We need to figure out how to compensate and make up for a guy who would arguably be the league MVP and his 20 points per game and 11 rebounds."

Ruggiero said his team will play with what they have, and they will be called on to up their games.

That includes senior co-captains Sam Lelio and Tommy Carrabes.

"Sam Lelio is a 6-2 fourth-year player," Ruggiero said. "Last year he started at the two spot. This year we're moving him to point guard. He's 6-2 and 190 pounds. He's a quality big point guard."

I'm pleased with his leadership on and off the court. Last year he averaged seven points per game. This year we need him to be more of an offensive threat. He'll lead the break, but we also need him to up that seven points to at least double figures."

Carrabes is in a similar situation.

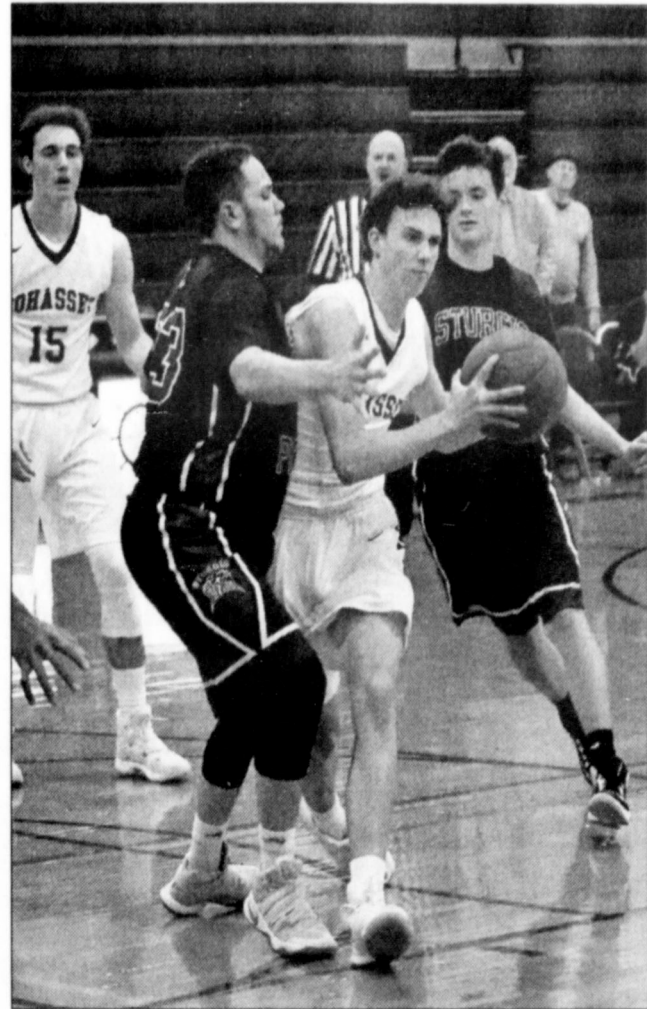
"Tommy is a 6-1 senior co-captain," Ruggiero said. "Last year he scored six-points per game. He'll have to step up his offensive efficiency. He'll have to get into double figures too. Tommy was our second leading rebounder last year. He has to step that up too."

Ruggiero thinks he can do it.

"Tommy is ready to step up," he said. "He's a guy I call a foxhole guy. That means if I were in a foxhole, he's a guy I'd want next to me."

The third starter on the squad is South Shore League All-Star Thatcher Stone.

"Thatcher grew two inches. He's now 6-4," Ruggiero said. "He was a



Sophomore Luke Adams looks to get through the Sturgis defense Tuesday Dec. 12. The Skippers won 66-31. [COURTESY PHOTO/DAN LEAHY]

league All-Star last year. The question is did he get there because of the cast around him or if he's legit. He scored 16 points per game, but took a lot of shots. We'll see how he brings his game up to an even higher level."

Senior Max Davis will also start this season.

"Max is 6-3," Ruggiero said. "He was a sixth man last year. This is his first year starting. He scored four points per game and had four rebounds per game, which was not bad for the minutes he played. This year as a starter he needs to at least double that. He's long, a gazelle. He can run."

The team's fifth starter is junior Mark Mahoney.

"Mark is 6-3, 175," Ruggiero said. "He's not a big kid, but he's worked hard on his game. He's been in the weight room and practiced his shooting. I compare him to Al Horford. He's a quiet producer. I won't be surprised if after every game we see him scoring 9 or 10 points and 7 or 8 rebounds. He's a steady influence."

Ruggiero said his starting five can do a good job.

"We have great length in our starting five," he said. "They can run and jump with the best of them. Now we'll see if they can play basketball with the best of them."

The bench has some interesting options.

"Ollie Hanke is a 6-1 senior who is our backup center," Ruggiero said.

"He's a great energy guy. He'll play 4 and 5. He's undersized, but is a tough defender. He moved up from the JV to be the sixth man on the varsity. He has a huge heart and brings a lot of energy."

Senior Scott Whelan is another energy guy who will see time at point guard.

"He's a defensive specialist," Ruggiero said. "He's the guy to shut down the opposing guard and is great with the full-court press. He disrupts timing and gets into the other guy's head."

Junior Brad Albanese will also see time off the bench playing the perimeter.

Ruggiero is also expecting a couple of freshmen to help out on both the varsity and JV.

"There are two freshmen who were playing youth basketball last year who made a huge impression," Ruggiero said. "Liam Cunnie is a 5-9 guard and Jimmy Grech is 6-0. Both guys will start contributing soon."

Junior Luke Adams will see time on both varsity and JV, as will sophomore 6-3 200 pounder Tom Chenette.

Freshman Kevin Kruseik could also see time with the varsity.

There is one notable change on the coaching staff, as varsity assistant and former Skipper star John Maher is now teaching in Lynn and had to leave.

He will be replaced by another former Skipper star Christian Davis.

"Christian played four years for me and was a starting guard on two 20 win teams," Ruggiero said. "He's a graduate of Providence College. He has great experience and will bring great leadership. He understands our system and as a lefty guard, Sam will understand his language. Lefty guards have a special language."

On the JV, Jim Willis, who coached the boys soccer team to the State Semifinal this season is back for his tenth year with Ruggiero.

"My loyal assistant Jim Willis was here when I got here," Ruggiero said. "He's tremendous. He has a great relationship with the kids. They respect him as a coach and a teacher. He's a great guy."

For Ruggiero, this season will be about making the most of every moment.

"Without Chase the margin of error is thin," he said. "We have to make the most of every possession. There isn't that aircraft carrier there to block shots and bring in those rebounds. So far our preseason has been up and down. At first I was a little disappointed in our conditioning. We weren't faring well against good competition. That's getting better. We're going to go out and put out the best product we can."

When time comes for the postseason, should they get there, Ruggiero feels his team will be battle tested.

"I added Div. 1 New Bedford, a school known for basketball and Div. 2 Bourne, also known for basketball. We also have St. John's (Hyannis) another basketball school and kept Southeast Regional on the schedule. In the league, there's no doubt that Mashpee is a hands down favorite and we play Rockland and Norwell in the big division. Middleboro is also on the schedule and they have athletes. They won the Super Bowl in football, so they'll be physical."

In the team's home opener, the Skippers rolled over Sturgis 66-31.

Cunnie led the way with 15 points while Stone added 11 points and the team's first dunk of the season.

Davis chipped in 9 points. The Skippers host Southeast Regional Friday Dec. 15 and are at Hull Tuesday Dec. 19.

The road trip continues Thursday Dec. 21 at Carver and at Bourne Wednesday Dec. 27.

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Due to the Christmas holiday, the following submission deadlines are in effect for Wicked Local papers the week of Dec. 25 to 29:

- 5 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 19: Calendar, arts/lifestyle and events-related press releases.
- Noon Thursday, Dec.

21: All other submissions.

- 8 a.m. Friday, Dec. 22: Letters to the editor and column submissions.

Due to the New Year's Day holiday, the deadlines for Wicked Local papers the week of Jan. 1 to 5 are as follows:

- 5 p.m. Tuesday,

Dec. 26: Calendar, arts/lifestyle and events-related press releases.

- Noon Thursday, Dec.

28: All other submissions.

- 8 a.m. Friday, Dec. 29: Letters to the editor and column submissions.

BAGEL

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her job in jeopardy and long with that, her health insurance and income. When Malcolm heard, he immediately stepped out of his recent retirement and worked alongside Kane, learning all he could and unofficially doing her job. Sadly, Kane passed away.

"After Susan passed no one ever said a word to me about what I was doing there, so I just kept working," recalls Malcolm. "About a month later, Dan the owner said 'Who are you?'"

It didn't take long for Belz to officially hire Malcolm as Manager. The 3A location troubled Malcolm, people would drive by too quickly on their way to somewhere else, he wasn't happy there. The former Cards n' Shards building was up for sale so he and Belz took a look.

"I knew it's where I wanted to be," says Malcolm. "So Dan posed the question, 'If I buy this building will you stay?' I said yes and true to his word, he bought it. That was 12 years ago."

Irony? Malcolm doesn't like bagels.

"It's why I'm able to work here," he says with a laugh. "Ice cream is my addiction. If I ever worked at Nona's I'd put them out of business."

Steven Malcolm was thrown into the food business. His first career, the one he chose, began at Dolly's Nursery School in Hingham where owner Grace O'Donnell put him through school and enabled him to earn a degree in Child Psychology. Growing up in a family of six contributed to Malcolm's love

of kids. While at Dolly's he adopted two children of his own, Tanya and Brent, siblings, just one year apart.

O'Donnell allowed them to attend Dolly's while Malcolm worked there. Eventually he left and opened his own place, "Uncle Steven's Daycare" on Hobart Lane and continued to grow his family. Kane, the friend who passed away, had been primary care giver for her grandson, Steven, who had cerebral palsy. When she died, Malcolm adopted him.

Surrounding himself with young people is when Malcolm is happiest. Atlantic Bagel, a hub for middle schoolers and high schoolers, is a great example of that.

"Summer is my favorite time of year here," says Malcolm with a big smile. "The young ones who stop in on their way to swimming or coming back from sailing are so funny and so polite. Pair that with the incredible teens who work here and I count myself fortunate. I have the best employees and a great sense of community."

As for the adults... "I've made a lot of friends and I've also ticked off a lot of people too," he says with a laugh. "You either love me or hate me."

In a world where the word "fake" is thrown around like confetti, Malcolm is as authentic as they come. If he likes you, you know it, and if he doesn't like your attitude, you'll know that too. Example...the woman who called to order a bagel from her car while parked on Main Street. Malcolm, answered the phone and informed her that they were

too busy to take her order because the line was out the door. "I know, I see it," she said, "that's why I'm calling." He hung up on her.

If you're not feeling your best that day, he'll notice and comment. His honesty has earned him 300 t-shirts, each one a present from regulars. They include those from family vacations, not his own, but those of his customers, and sports teams and local events, like the Cohasset Road Race by the Sea, the Cohasset Triathlon or the short lived Cohasset Day.

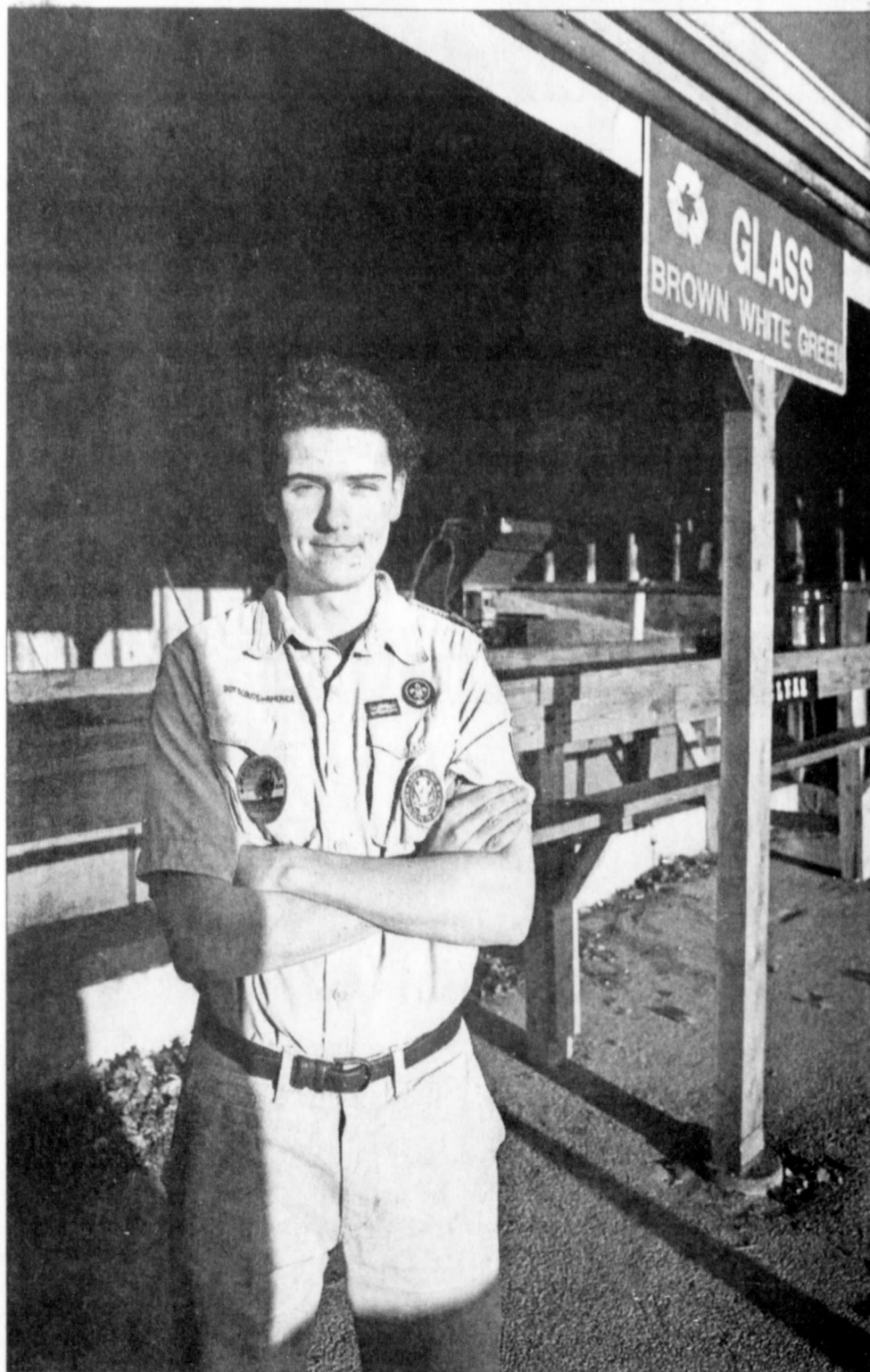
What will he miss the most?

"The people," says Malcolm. "Them trying to torment me and me trying to torment them. It wasn't an easy decision to retire," says Malcolm.

Retire does not mean "rest." Malcolm will be caring for his three grandkids ages 11, 10 and almost one year old while his daughter-in-law returns to work. This next "career," perhaps his most important, is a labor of love.

"It's time to spend time with my son Steven and my grandkids," says Malcolm. "I missed a lot with my first two children as a single dad."

"Steve at the bagel store" will take lifelong friendships and his favorite T-shirt with him when he goes. It reads "I'm just going to nod and act like I'm listening." Truth is, he hears everything, feels everything and is the first to give everything. The heart of the village is losing one of the most giving hearts in town.



Cohasset Eagle Scout Brent Landquist, 18, stands by the RTF workbench he built for his project. [WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO/ALYSSA STONE]

SCOUT

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the project.

"As you kept on building and putting it together, you see it go from pieces of wood that weren't even cut to an actual piece of architecture," he said. "It was really cool."

To ensure the bench lasts as long as possible, Landquist used special types of wood that would extend the life span of the piece. Landquist said the quality of the tools used back when the previous bench was constructed 30 years ago are not nearly as (good) as tools are now, and that the new bench should last for close to 70 years.

Planning, he said, was not necessarily one of his strengths going into the project, but found that it

taught him how to be more meticulous with his work.

One planning problem Landquist had to face was delivering the bench uphill from their work station behind the warehouse at the RTF to its permanent location. The group was eventually able to hoist the bench on to truck and cart it to its destination.

Another roadblock Landquist ran into was age restrictions on power tool use. Since scouts are not permitted to use major power tools under the age of 18, a limited amount of people were able to work on the project at one time.

While mimicking the original design, Landquist said the new bench incorporated new features -- such as a shelf with supports and new legs -- to enhance its efficiency.

Positive feedback from the community has already begun to pour in. One

resident found the new bench very helpful and thanked whoever had built the bench in a post on social media. Others have mentioned that the elderly and those with back problems have also benefited from the shelf they added to the bench.

But Landquist said he has always enjoyed building things, any this project was no different. Although he would like to explore the medical field after high school, Landquist plans on continuing his hobby throughout his lifetime and gain as much knowledge as he possibly can.

"Anyone can build something," he said. "You just have to take the time to learn how to build it."

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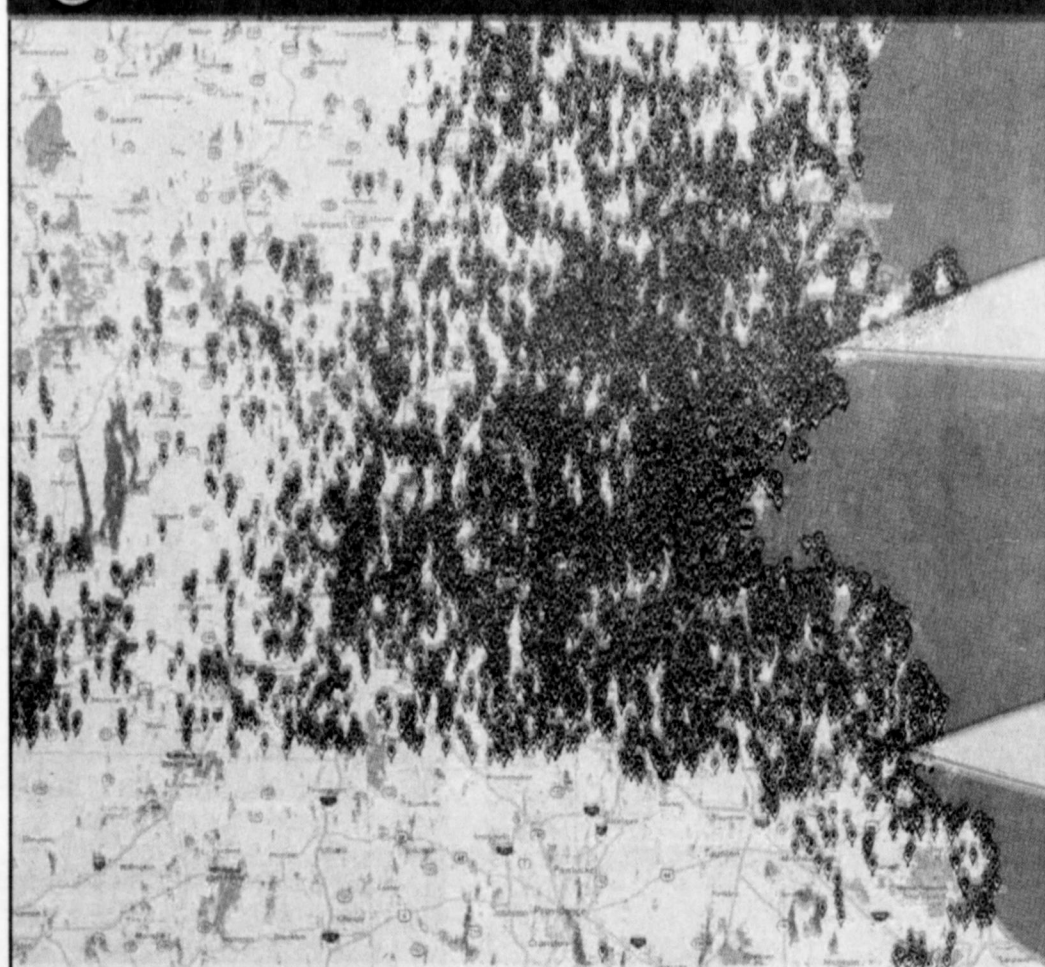
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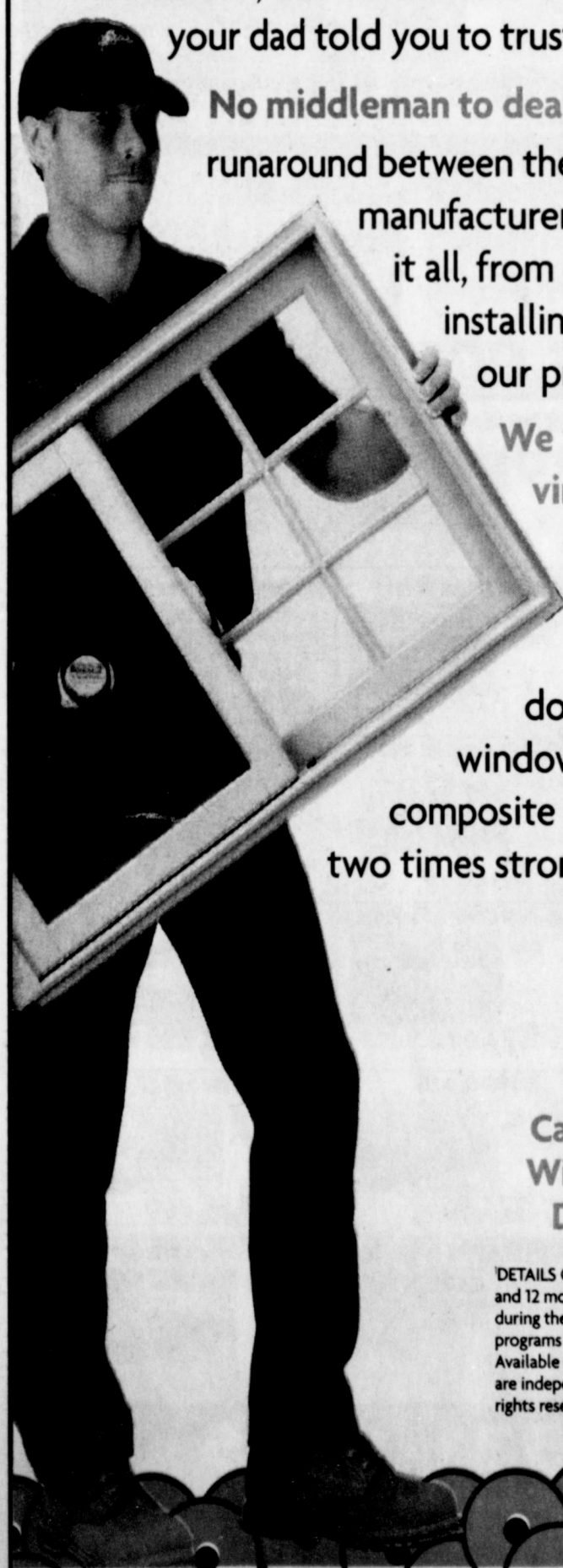
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COHASSET POLICE/FIRE LOG

The following are excerpts from the Cohasset Police/Fire Log, which is public record and available for review.

Monday, Dec. 4

6:33 a.m.: A caller reported that her vehicle was damaged and vandalized overnight on Jerusalem Road. An officer reported someone threw a pumpkin at the back window.
7:22 a.m.: A caller reported some kind of dead animal in the roadway on King Street. Police called the Department of Public works for a dead squirrel.
9:16 a.m.: A caller on Nichols Road reported their mailbox was smashed by a pumpkin. They stated it had happened over Thanksgiving and again last night.
11:33 a.m.: A deceased rabbit was reported in the roadway on King Street. The rabbit was removed.
12 p.m.: A caller reported a guide wire broke and was stuck in a tree on Nichols Road with the pole leaning on it. Fire personnel reported no apparent hazard, and National Grid was advised.
2:20 p.m.: A caller reported a golden retriever wandering around Margin Street with an electric fence collar on.
5:30 p.m.: A caller on Forest Avenue reported her mailbox had been. The mailbox had also been damaged last month.
8:25 p.m.: A caller reported that her 13-year-old was at home with heat or water on Ripley Road and stated that the landlord was aware. The party was advised to follow up with Wellspring.

Tuesday, Dec. 5

8:30 a.m.: A caller requested a well being check on an elderly female party who appeared to be hitchhiking on Chief Justice Cushing Highway. Police transported the party.
9:13 a.m.: A type of alarm beeping was reported in a closet at the South Shore Art Center on Ripley Road. The caller stated there was definitely no fire. Fire personnel reported trouble with the alarm.
11:20 a.m.: An alarm reportedly went off over the weekend on

Winter parking

The winter parking overnight ban is now in effect through April 15. No on-street parking is allowed between 1 and 5 a.m. Violators are subject to a \$25 fine.

South Main Street. Fire personnel reported the unit was defective and advised the homeowner to get batteries.

11:21 a.m.: A caller reported larceny in progress on Mill Lane involving a male party in a green Dodge pickup stealing from the Bound Brook River Project. Police confirmed that Holly Hill Farm had been asked to take away the hay bails.

11:50 a.m.: An erratic operator was reported in a tan Chevy sedan speeding on Hemlock Way. The caller stated marijuana smoke and odor was pouring out of the driver's side window.

12:29 p.m.: A caller reported a lot of smoke in the area of Harborview Center for Nursing on Chief Justice Cushing Highway. Fire personnel reported marks in the driveway that could have been caused by a burnout.

5:36 p.m.: A caller reported that a 20-year-old female party was struck by a vehicle in the parking lot at Shaw's Supermarket on Chief Justice Cushing Highway. The vehicle reportedly ran over her foot and she was unable to walk. Police reported the party was conscious and breathing but upset.

5:40 p.m.: An erratic operator was reported in a green Corolla on Forest Avenue at North Main Street. Police were unable to locate the vehicle. Scituate police were notified.

Wednesday, Dec. 6

9:09 a.m.: A caller reported someone in the building on Parkingway. The caller was in Duxbury but was watching the security camera. Police reported it was a realtor for the building.

1:51 p.m.: A noise complaint was reported on Parkingway involving a Toyota Tundra parked in a public

lot by the railroad track. The caller stated it was an ongoing problem where every time the train goes by it sets off the car's alarm. Police reported the vehicle was parked legally.

2:17 p.m.: A caller requested an officer while he tried to retrieve some of his belongings on Lamberts Lane. The party refused to open the door.

3:28 p.m.: A caller reported their newfoundland named Scout was missing on Forest Avenue.

3:28 p.m.: A fire investigation was conducted on Arrowwood Street. A party was transported to South Shore Hospital.

6:09 p.m.: A walk-in asked to speak to an officer about a family probate issue.

Thursday, Dec. 7

11:57 a.m.: An erratic operator was reported going north on Main Street near Jerusalem Road, possibly smoking weed. Police reported nothing showing.

12 p.m.: A motorist reported a Citi Oil truck was all over the road on Little Harbor Aod and pulled into a driveway to make a delivery. Police spoke to the party.

12:36 a.m.: A caller reported that Hajj Auto was giving his 86-year-old mother a hard time, showing up at her house on Lily Pond Lane and demanding a bill of sale from a car she sold them in April. Police spoke to an employee who stopped by the house asking for a title and would not be returning.

12:25 p.m.: A motor vehicle crash was reported near Shaw's Supermarket on Chief Justice Cushing Highway. No injuries were reported. Towing was requested for one vehicle.

1:13 p.m.: A caller reported an elderly dog, possibly a golden retriever mix, running around on Oak Street. The dog was returned to its owner.

2:05 p.m.: A walk-in reported a large coyote on Elm Court, walking around and not afraid of people. The animal control officer was notified.

2:46 p.m.: Tree work was reportedly making the road unpassable for a school bus at Flintlock Ridge

Road. Police reported the tree crew would be clearing soon.

4:15 p.m.: A first-floor fire alarm was reported at a residence on Jerusalem Road. Fire personnel reported it was accidental from cooking.

5:10 p.m.: A burglar alarm was reported at a residence on Sanctuary Pond Road. Police did a walk-through with the homeowner and reported everything appeared in order.

Friday, Dec. 8

8:22 a.m.: A caller reported a vehicle going through the red school bus lights on Ledgewood Drive. Police were unable to locate the vehicle.

9:48 a.m.: A vehicle reportedly hit a fence near St. Anthony's Church on Summer Street. No injuries were reported. The vehicle was pulled out and was driveable.

9:49 a.m.: A caller reported a suspicious white SUV parked near the South Shore Community Center on North Main Street and a male party getting in and out of the vehicle and walking around it for about 15 minutes. Police reported it was a real estate agent.

10:36 a.m.: A caller on Nichols Road reported a barking dog complaint.
2:22 p.m.: An alarm was reported at a residence on Lamberts Lane. Police reported the property appeared secure.

3:59 p.m.: An erratic operator was reported crossing over the yellow line in a silver Ford on Beechwood Street. Police located the vehicle unoccupied in front of Walgreens and spoke with the operator about the complaint.

4:57 p.m.: A commercial alarm was reported at Glove Up Boxing and Fitness on Stagecoach Way. Police reported the building was secure.

Saturday, Dec. 9

9:04 a.m.: A walk-in from the Water Department reported water coming near a pole on North Main Street. National Grid was notified.

9:14 a.m.: A caller reported a raccoon in a dumpster on Beechwood Street. The raccoon was not sick or injured and could exit on its own.

2:41 p.m.: A suspicious male party with a rifle and orange safety vest was reported across from Stop & Shop an hour ago. Police checked the area and reported that it appeared to be a hunter.

5:58 p.m.: A two-car accident was reported near CVS Pharmacy on Chief Justice Cushing Highway. No injuries were reported, and a tow was called for one vehicle.

6:33 p.m.: A caller reported finding a small light brown dog on Nichols Road.

6:59 p.m.: A caller reported that a snow plow hit a car on Summer Street. No injuries were reported, and the second vehicle had been unoccupied. A tow was called for the vehicle.

7:24 p.m.: A general fire alarm was reported at Fiori's Gulf Service Station on Chief Justice Cushing Highway. Fire personnel reported nothing showing and reset the alarm.

Sunday, Dec. 10

9:34 a.m.: A general fire alarm was reported at Fiori's Gulf Service Station on Chief Justice Cushing Highway. Personnel reported an odor of electrical burning and notified the electrical inspector. The alarm company was informed by employees that they could smell burning plastic and evacuated the building. The burn was isolated, the alarm reset and the building ventilated.

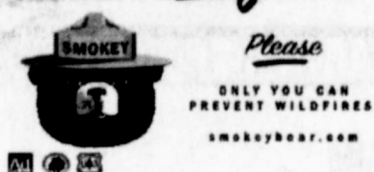
10:27 a.m.: An erratic operator was reported on Clay Spring Road in a Jeep Wrangler. Police were unable to locate the vehicle.

12:17 p.m.: A front door alarm was reported at a residence on Wheelwright Farm. Police reported the residence was secure.

4 p.m.: A caller reported a large amount of glass in the roadway and at the end of his driveway on Nichols Road. Police reported no traffic hazard and notified the DPW.

11:13 p.m.: A caller on North Main Street reported receiving threatening texts from a male party she used to hang out with who reportedly has a drug problem. The caller was afraid to read the texts and stated that she has never shown up unannounced.

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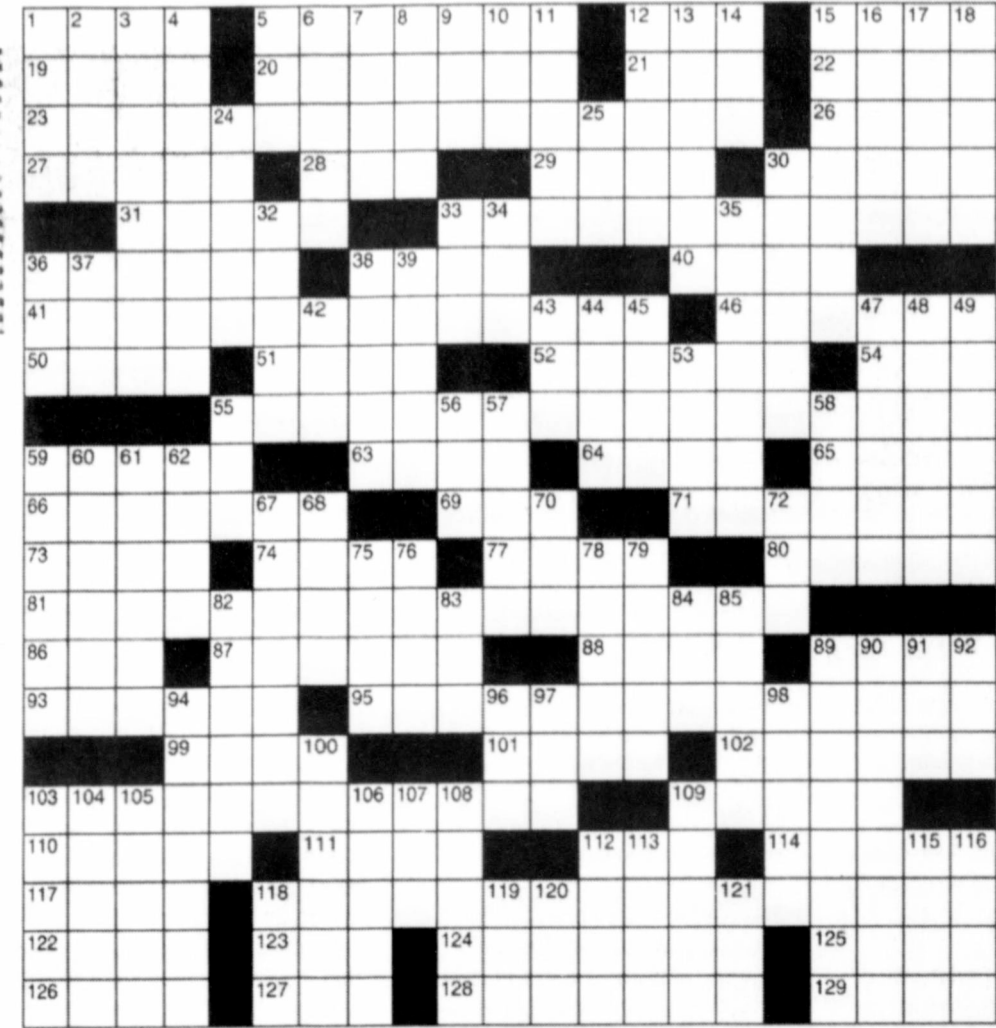


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 - 15 Overquick
 - 19 Be a wanderer
 - 20 Moral
 - 21 Actress
 - 22 Comical Kett
 - 23 Jack London novel
 - 26 Dumbfound
 - 27 Flynn of films
 - 28 Prone (to)
 - 29 Big name in credit cards
 - 30 Cake coater
 - 31 Writer Verne
 - 33 Easy targets to attack
 - 36 Lacking a musical key
 - 38 Writer
 - 40 Mystery novelist
 - 41 Relative of soul
 - 46 Infuse with oxygen
 - 50 Sphagnum, e.g.
 - 51 Cookie with a "Thins" line
 - 52 One-masted sailboats
 - 54 Chic, '60s-style
 - 55 Really, really quick
 - 59 Drive off
 - 63 Pretty low grades
 - 64 "That is — ask"
 - 65 "Picnic" playwright
 - 66 With
 - 13-Down, giant in internet service
 - 69 Sports org. with the eight teams featured in this puzzle
 - 71 Trip to a rain forest, maybe
 - 73 Vicious
 - 74 Eban of Israel
 - 77 Foreboding
 - 80 Shimon of Israel
 - 81 2011 Jim Carrey comedy
 - 86 Head sweller
 - 87 Tie up again, as shoes
 - 88 Don't skip, as an event
 - 89 Oaf's cry
 - 93 Waters off
 - 95 2007-13 pickup truck model
 - 99 Clearasil treats it
 - 101 Designer
 - 102 Old TV tube
 - 103 Be engulfed in fire
 - 109 Ate
 - 110 Writer Bret Easton —
 - 111 Know — fact
 - 112 Actor's help
 - 114 The blabs
 - 117 Rake feature
 - 118 Hawaiians
 - 122 Tennis' Lendl
 - 123 TV producer
 - 124 In a very angry way
 - 125 Filmdom's —
 - 126 Bird setting
 - 127 Sinuous fish
 - 128 Vilify
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 - 7 Hew
 - 8 Falling-out
 - 9 Masquerade
 - 10 — jongg
 - 11 Chosen few
 - 12 Papa Doc's place
 - 13 See
 - 66-Across
 - 14 Inflate falsely
 - 15 Hero, often in —
 - 16 Top-floor storage site
 - 17 Reeked
 - 18 With
 - 56-Down, surfs like a pro
 - 24 God, in Islam
 - 25 Clever type
 - 30 Most lazy
 - 32 "St. — Fire" (1985 film)
 - 33 Hero in a deli
 - 34 Fluish, say
 - 35 Shown with explicit detail
 - 36 It has biceps
 - 37 However, informally
 - 38 Golf's Sam
 - 39 — of one's own medicine
 - 42 Dog cry
 - 43 Naval vessel abbr.
 - 44 Fitzgerald of song
 - 45 Loam, e.g.
 - 47 Key of "Für Elise"
 - 48 Mouth organ
 - 49 Lawn care tools
 - 53 Eye creepily
 - 55 — Baba
 - 56 See
 - 18-Down
 - 57 "... woman who lived in —"
 - 58 Evening, casually
 - 59 Rear-ending car, e.g.
 - 60 Arise
 - 61 Natural legume
 - 62 Cube maker
 - 67 Peninsula northeast of Boston
 - 68 Brother in Genesis
 - 70 Pre-O trio
 - 72 Mil. missions
 - 75 Bric-a —
 - 76 Yiddish writer
 - 78 Actress
 - 79 Italian for "new"
 - 82 Summary
 - 83 16th letter
 - 84 "Don't make — habit"
 - 85 Nick of "Warrior"
 - 89 Potato chip topping
 - 90 Singer Helen or actor Jerry
 - 91 Univ. award
 - 92 Envision
 - 94 Wise
 - 96 22nd letter
 - 97 "Indubitably"
 - 98 "Grease" actress Eve
 - 100 Erase
 - 103 Gain entry
 - 104 Drab color
 - 105 Forelimb bones
 - 106 Close-by
 - 107 "Exodus" protagonist
 - 108 Don's group
 - 109 Cuts down, as a tree
 - 112 Refer to
 - 113 Tech support seeker
 - 115 Bear, celestially
 - 116 "By Jove!"
 - 118 Adolescent leader?
 - 119 Taxing org.
 - 120 Beret, e.g.
 - 121 Senate vote

Sudoku

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Level: Moderate

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally

- Berry
- Blabs
- Carnival
- Coat
- Months
- Olympics
- Park
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- Squash
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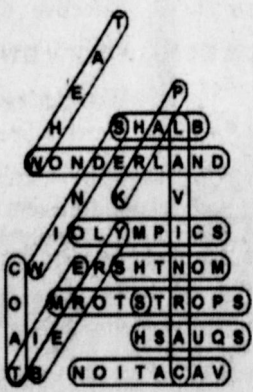
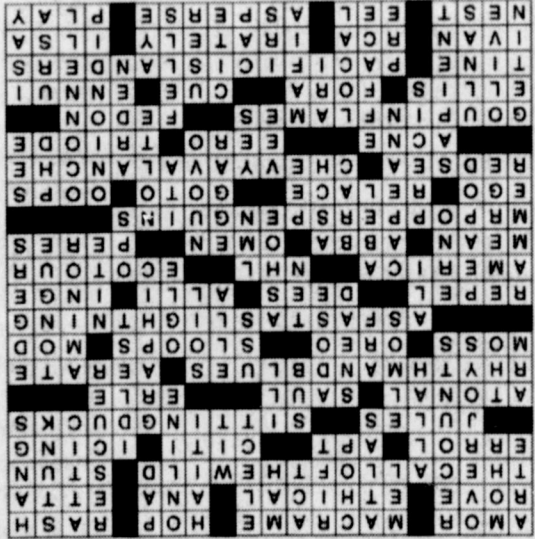
ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Make a start on that new workplace challenge. But get more information before you find yourself too deeply involved without knowing in which direction you should go.
TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You might find things becoming tedious as your schedule slows down for the holidays. Use this time to get information about a possible post-New Year job change.
GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) The creative Twin finds outlets for her or his ideas in the early part of the week. The practical Twin takes it a step further and rallies support to turn the ideas into reality.
CANCER (June 21 to July 22) It's time to stop being intimidated by someone's negative behavior. Start taking positive steps on your own to help strengthen your position down the line.
LEO (July 23 to August 22) Look closely at that so-called golden opportunity. Best to be a cautious Cat who approaches things slowly, than one

who pounces without knowing where you'll land.
VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Your apology can resolve that personal situation before it overshadows the holidays. You'll feel better, even if you're only partly to blame for what happened.
LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Avoid overtaxing yourself, even if your energy levels are high and you feel that you can do it all. Best to pace yourself so you won't run yourself down before the holidays.
SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your sense of humor helps get you through a stressful period. Some of your quick quips can take the edge off any remaining negativity being aimed at you.
SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your artistic talents not only help you express yourself these days, but they also set up a line of communication between you and someone very special.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) It's fine to appreciate the importance of "proper form" for doing things. But relax a bit in order to allow newcomers on the project to feel less intimidated by you.
AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Use your boundless reserve of optimism to persuade others to work with you to resolve a difficult workplace problem before it can ruin your holiday fun.
PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You brim over with self-confidence as you begin to tackle a new challenge. And, before you know it, you're not alone: Others have taken the plunge with you.
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SOLUTIONS



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CALENDAR

Happy Holidays with the Divas planned in Norwell

WHEN: 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 19
WHAT: Divas with a Twist holiday concert in Norwell

INFO: Happy Holidays with the Divas show at Company Theatre Center for the Arts, 30 Accord Park Drive, Norwell. Divas with a Twist, five female vocalists, will perform classic holiday songs and new arrangements. Tickets \$25.

For information: 781-871-2787, companytheatre.com.



'A Christmas Klaus' to be held at Living Word

WHEN: Dec. 15-17
WHAT: "A Christmas Klaus" shows at Living Word in Norwell
INFO: "A Christmas Klaus" shows at Living Word Church, 55 Accord Park Drive, Norwell. Performances 7 p.m. Dec. 15; and 3 p.m. Dec. 16-17. Tickets \$5 per person, \$20 for families of four or more. Also available: café, pictures with Santa, intermission light show and more.

For information: thewonderofchristmas.net.



Southern Rail to perform at Old Ship Parish

WHEN: 4 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 17

WHAT: Southern Rail to perform at Old Ship Parish in Hingham
INFO: Southern Rail will perform at Coffeehouse off the Square, Old Ship Parish, 107 Main St., Hingham.

No open mic at this Christmas show. Southern Rail's music is high energy, exuberant fun with riveting harmonies, irreverent humor and sparkling banjo and mandolin solos. Admission is \$15 at the door (sorry no reservations) and desserts and beverages are \$1.

For information: 781-749-1767, facebook.com/coffeehouseoffthesquare or www.oldshipchurch.org/coffeehouse-off-the-square.



CALENDAR

Send your event information by email to scalendar@wickedlocal.com. Listings information must be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event. Please include the time, date, location, street address and town of the event. If possible, provide a contact phone number and website.

Friday, Dec. 15

Book sale: Dec. 1-31, Ventress Memorial Library, 15 Library Plaza, Marshfield. The Friends of the Ventress Memorial Library will hold a special holiday-themed book sale through December. The books are on sale tables in the library lobby and feature a broad range of holiday books. New titles will be added throughout the month, so keep checking back for best selection. For information, 781-834-5535 www.ventresslibrary.org.

Woodturners exhibit and sale: Dec. 2-20, North River Wildlife Sanctuary, 2000 Main St., Marshfield. For information: 781-837-9400, www.massaudubon.org/southshore. Hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays to Fridays; and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays.

Christmas concert: 2 p.m., St. Mary of the Nativity, 1 Kent St., Scituate. The church's youth choir, traditional choir and bell choir and Cape Verdean Ensemble will perform. Soloists: Deacon Mattie Henry, Erin and Nick Verina and John Colpoys. Reception to follow in the Great Hall.

Evening of Holiday Music: 7 p.m., Abington High School, 201 Gliniewicz Way, Abington. Performing songs of the Season will be the Abington Community Band, the Abington Town Choir and the Island Grove Chorus. There is no charge for admission.

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Company for the Holidays: Nov. 24-Dec. 17, Thursdays to Sundays, Company Theatre Center for the Arts, 30 Accord Park Drive, Norwell. Shows at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays, 4 and 7:30 p.m. Saturdays and 3 p.m. Sundays. Tickets \$41-\$43. For information: 781-871-2787, www.companytheatre.com. Holiday spectacular in three parts: singing, acting and dancing.

Soul Box: 8 p.m., Next Page Cafe, 550 Broad St., Weymouth. For information: 781-340-1300, thenextpagecafe.com.

Saturday, Dec. 16

Fair Trade/Local Artisans Alternative Market: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., UCC Church, 460 Main St., Norwell.

Lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. There are currently 10 vendors that represent global fair trade with products including olive oil, coffees, teas, chocolates, jewelry, accessories and crafts. For information: 781-659-2887, www.uccnorwell.org.

Book binding workshop: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Art Complex Museum, 189 Alden St., Duxbury. Roya Amigh will teach two different techniques including accordions-fold paper and two kinds of sewn chain stitch bookbinding. The \$200 fee includes all materials. Register. For information: 781-934-6634, ext. 10, sally@artcomplex.org.

Marshfield Farmers' Market: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Marshfield Fairgrounds, under grandstands, 140 Main St., Marshfield. Winter market third Saturday of the month through May. For information: 781-635-0889, www.MarshfieldFarmersMarket.org. Over 30 vendors of all local produce, meats, hot/cold prepared foods, bread/baked goods, home goods, and select artisans. Admission and parking free. Grounds are stroller and wheelchair friendly. Live music and free kids activities.

Community Christmas: noon to 4 p.m., Colchester Neighborhood Farm, 90 Brook St., Plympton. Free. For information: 781-422-3921, www.colchesterneighborhoodfarm.com. Kids can make holiday crafts, have cookies and cocoa, and even get a chance to have a chat with Santa. Fresh cut Christmas trees for sale as well as decorated wreaths.

Saturday Concert: 2 p.m. (postponed from Dec. 9), Ventress Memorial Library, 1837 Ocean St., Marshfield. "Harping for the Holidays 2" will be performed by Nicole Anderson. Free and open to the public; no tickets required. For information: 781-834-5535, www.ventresslibrary.org. Light refreshments served at a post-concert social hour.

"A Christmas Klaus" shows: Dec. 15-17, Living Word Church, 55 Accord Park Drive, Norwell. Performances 7 p.m. Dec. 15; and 3 p.m. Dec. 16-17. \$5 per person, \$20 for families of four or more. Also available: café, pictures with Santa, intermission light show and more. For information: thewonderofchristmas.net.

NBSO Family Holiday Pops: 3:30 and 7 p.m., Zeiterion Performing Arts Center, 684 Purchase St., New Bedford. \$20, \$28, \$35, \$43. For information: 508-994-2900, www.zeiterion.org.

Company for the Holidays: Nov. 24-Dec. 17, Thursdays to Sundays, Company Theatre Center for the Arts, 30 Accord Park Drive, Norwell. Shows at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays and

Fridays, 4 and 7:30 p.m. Saturdays and 3 p.m. Sundays. Tickets \$41-\$43. For information: 781-871-2787, www.companytheatre.com. Holiday spectacular in three parts: singing, acting and dancing.

Chili and Cornbread Owl Prowl: 6-9 p.m., North River Wildlife Sanctuary, 2000 Main St., Marshfield. Preregister. \$25/\$20 member adult. For information: 781-837-9400, www.massaudubon.org/southshore. Chili and cornbread at the office first, then on to the owls.

"Songs of the Von Trapp Family": 7:30-9:30 p.m., Second Parish Church, 685 Main St., Hingham. Concert by the Hingham Singers. Admission is \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door the evening of the concert. Advance tickets may be purchased from Artisans in the Square, 63 South St., Hingham, or by calling 781-749-7507.

The Breen Brothers: 8 p.m., Next Page Cafe, 550 Broad St., Weymouth. For information: 781-340-1300, thenextpagecafe.com.

Sunday, Dec. 17

Holiday jazz concert: 2 p.m., Norwell Public Library, 64 South St., Norwell. Jazz duo Les Sampou and Jim Gordon. For information: 781-659-2015, norwellpubliclibrary.org.

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Hanukkah celebration: 3-4 p.m., South Shore Plaza, 250 Granite St., Braintree. Festive celebration and Menorah lighting will take place with Rabbi Gurkow of Shalom House Chabad of Stoughton.

Southern Rail: 4 p.m., Coffeehouse off the Square, Old Ship Parish, 107 Main St., Hingham. No open mic at this Christmas show. Admission is \$15 at the door (sorry no reservations) and desserts and beverages are \$1. For information: 781-749-1767 or www.facebook.com/coffeehouseoffthesquare or www.oldshipchurch.org/coffeehouse-off-the-square. Southern Rail's music is high energy, exuberant fun with riveting harmonies, irreverent humor and sparkling banjo and mandolin solos.

Living Nativity: 5 p.m., Town Green, Marshfield. Presented by the youth of First Congregational Church. For information: 781-834-7664.

Monday, Dec. 18

NAMI caregivers support group: 6-7:30 p.m. Vinfen's office, 5 Fennell Drive, Weymouth. Presented by National Alliance on Mental Illness. For information: namisouthshore@gmail.com. A caregivers support group for those who have loved ones living with mental illness. Facilitators guide the group offering

advice and support. Group meets the first and third Monday each month (except legal holidays - meet on Tuesday following holiday).

Meditation at the Abbey: 6:45 p.m. Mondays, Morcone Center, 20 Hull St., Hingham. For information: aqwallace@comcast.net, www.glastonburyabbey.org. Complimentary optional at 7:45 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 19

Community Christmas fundraiser: 4-9:30 p.m., Hook and Harvest, 227 Chief Justice Cushing Highway, Scituate. Ten percent of every diner's food bill will be donated to Scituate Community Christmas. Diners must mention Scituate Community Christmas for the donation to apply. For information: 781-545-7108.

Teen & Tween Holiday Party: 5-6:30 p.m., Ventress Memorial Library, 15 Library Plaza, Marshfield. Play games, make gifts, decorate cookies and celebrate the start of winter. Thematic refreshments will be provided. Ages 11-17 are welcome. Registration required. For information: 781-834-5535, www.ventresslibrary.org.

A Christmas Celtic Sojourn: 7:30 p.m., Zeiterion Performing Arts Center, 684 Purchase St., New Bedford. \$25, \$35, \$48, \$55. For information: 508-994-2900, www.zeiterion.org.

Happy Holidays with the Divas: 7:30 p.m., Company Theatre Center for the Arts, 30 Accord Park Drive, Norwell. Divas with a Twist, five female vocalists, will perform classic holiday songs and new arrangements. Tickets \$25. For information: 781-871-2787, www.companytheatre.com.

Wednesday, Dec. 20

Savoir Faire Jazz Trio: 6-9 p.m., PJ's Restaurant, 227 Chief Justice Highway, Scituate, each Wednesday. For information: 781-545-1340.

Open Mic with Steve Tobias and Bob Cedrone: 7-10 p.m., Next Page Cafe, 550 Broad St., Weymouth. For information: 781-340-1300, thenextpagecafe.com.

Thursday, Dec. 21

Literary Circle: 10:30 a.m., Norwell Public Library, 64 South St., Norwell. Discussion of "Sisi" by Allison Pataki. For information: 781-659-2015, norwellpubliclibrary.org.

Matinee Movie: 2 p.m., Tufts Library, 46 Broad St., Weymouth. "Dunkirk," rated PG-13. For information: 781-337-1402, www.weymouth.ma.us/library. Light refreshments will be served.

Winter Solstice Hayride: 6:30-8:30 p.m., Daniel Webster Wildlife Sanctuary, Winslow Cemetery Road, Marshfield. All ages welcome. \$11/\$8 member. Preregistration required. For information: 781-837-9400, www.massaudubon.org/southshore.

Anthony Geraci & the HipNotics host the jam: 8 p.m., Next Page Cafe, 550 Broad St., Weymouth. Jammers invited and welcome. Free pizza. For information: 781-340-1300, thenextpagecafe.com.

Friday, Dec. 22

Book sale: Dec. 1-31, Ventress Memorial Library, 15 Library Plaza, Marshfield. The Friends of the Ventress Memorial Library will hold

a special holiday-themed book sale through December. The books are on sale tables in the library lobby and feature a broad range of holiday books. New titles will be added throughout the month, so keep checking back for best selection. For information, 781-834-5535, www.ventresslibrary.org.

"A Christmas Carol" one-man show by Neil McGarry: 7 p.m., Plymouth Center for the Arts, 11 North St., Plymouth. Directed by Ross MacDonald and created under the auspices of The Bay Colony Shakespeare Company. Tickets \$25; \$20 seniors and students. For information: 508-746-7222, <https://plymouthguild.org/events/performing-arts/christmas-carol-2017-friday>.

Diving Ducks: 8 p.m., Next Page Cafe, 550 Broad St., Weymouth. For information: 781-340-1300, thenextpagecafe.com.

Saturday, Dec. 23

Build a bird feeder: 1-3 p.m., North River Wildlife Sanctuary, 2000 Main St., Marshfield. For adults and families with children ages 6 and up. \$22/\$18 member. Preregister. For information: 781-837-9400, www.massaudubon.org/southshore. Teacher naturalist Doug Lowry and birder Tim O'Neil will guide participants in building a simple bird feeder. Materials and tools will be provided.

Dartmouth Orchestra's Trans-Siberian Orchestra Tribute: 7 p.m., Zeiterion Performing Arts Center, 684 Purchase St., New Bedford. \$10/\$15. For information: 508-994-2900, www.zeiterion.org.

M.S.F. Band: 8 p.m., Next Page Cafe, 550 Broad St., Weymouth. For information: 781-340-1300, thenextpagecafe.com.

Wednesday, Dec. 27

Winter Bug Hunt: 9 a.m. to noon, North River Wildlife Sanctuary, 2000 Main St., Marshfield. Register. For kids in grades 1-5; \$35/\$30 member child. For information: 781-837-9400, www.massaudubon.org/southshore. Hit the trails in search of winter bugs and their hiding places, and then build a bug motel to take home to your yard.

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Norwell Evening Book Group: 6:30 p.m., Norwell Public Library, 64 South St., Norwell. Book to discuss is "The Aviator's Wife" by Melanie Benjamin. For information: 781-659-2015, norwellpubliclibrary.org.

Thursday, Dec. 28

Scavenger Hunt: 9 a.m. to noon, North River Wildlife Sanctuary, 2000 Main St., Marshfield. Register. For kids in grades 1-5; \$35/\$30 member child. For information: 781-837-9400, www.massaudubon.org/southshore. Scavenge for special secret items, and use them to create your own nature bottle to take home and challenge your family and friends.

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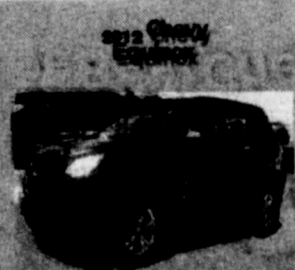
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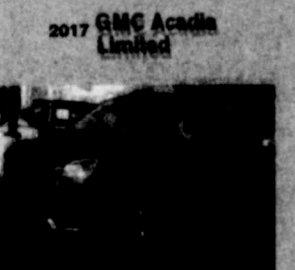
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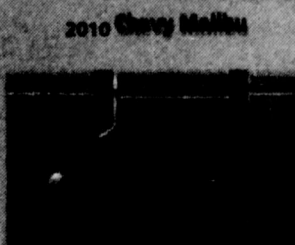


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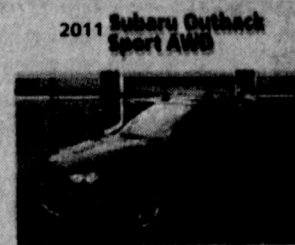


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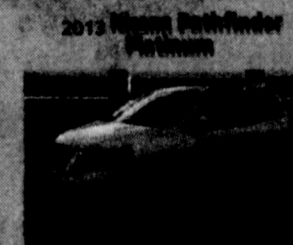


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